# William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund

**Financial Statements** 

Years Ended December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008

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#### **Independent Auditors' Report**

To the Board of Trustees William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund Hamden, Connecticut

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial position of the William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund (the Memorial Fund) as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the related statements of activities and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Memorial Fund's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits. The financial statements of the Memorial Fund for the year ended December 31, 2008 were audited by other auditors whose report, dated July 8, 2009, expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Memorial Fund's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the 2010 and 2009 financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund as of December 31, 2010 and 2009, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

West Hartford, Connecticut

Blum, Shapino + Company, P.C.

March 2, 2011

# WILLIAM CASPAR GRAUSTEIN MEMORIAL FUND STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008** 

	2010	2009	2008
ASSETS			
CASH	\$ 500	\$ 870,413	\$ 203,350
INVESTMENTS			
Short-term	18,024,521	19,972,402	16,202,556
Equity	42,589,173	37,087,301	34,797,455
Debt	12,869,695	12,909,677	14,055,530
Alternative	30,884,525	27,840,889	23,441,174
Program-related	4,536	4,536	4,536
INTEREST AND DIVIDENDS RECEIVABLE	43,206	41,829	54,632
OTHER ASSETS	107,502	19,004	19,505
FURNITURE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND			
EQUIPMENT - Net	 73,113	 98,963	 129,303
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 104,596,771	\$ 98,845,014	\$ 88,908,041
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS			
LIABILITIES			
GRANTS PAYABLE	\$ 2,441,931	\$ 2,150,851	\$ 3,953,267
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED EXPENSES	224,453	164,435	221,015
DEFERRED TAXES	 196,100	 126,000	 500
TOTAL LIABILITIES	2,862,484	2,441,286	4,174,782
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	 101,734,287	 96,403,728	 84,733,259
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	\$ 104,596,771	\$ 98,845,014	\$ 88,908,041

See Notes to Financial Statements.

# **WILLIAM CASPAR GRAUSTEIN MEMORIAL FUND**

# **STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES**

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008

	2010	2009	2008
CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS			
OPERATIONS			
Operating Revenues  Trustee appropriations for operations  Investment funds appropriated for operations  pursuant to spending policy  Additional investment funds appropriated	\$ 5,628,000	\$ 5,982,000	\$ 5,839,000
for operations  Contributions appropriated for operations	450,000	362,000	2,950,000 326,000
Total operating revenues		6,344,000	9,115,000
Operating Expenses Grants and program Other charitable Management and general Accountability	5,575,300 272,023 289,476 107,524	4,767,582 187,034 321,857 130,039	7,308,060 226,706 352,779 164,993
Total operating expenses	6,244,323	5,406,512	8,052,538
RESULTS OF OPERATIONS	(166,323)	937,488	1,062,462
NON-OPERATING ACTIVITIES Investment return			
Dividend and interest income Net gain (loss) on investments Investment management Excise tax	2,865,944 8,592,211 (249,087) (90,002)	2,675,442 14,407,572 (257,919) (136,685)	2,664,537 (29,476,339) (261,959) 231,913
Total investment return	11,119,066	16,688,410	(26,841,848)
Contributions	455,816	388,571	361,134
Total non-operating activities before appropriations	11,574,882	17,076,981	(26,480,714)
Amount appropriated for operations	(6,078,000)	(6,344,000)	(9,115,000)
NON-OPERATING ACTIVITIES	5,496,882	10,732,981	(35,595,714)
CHANGE IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS	5,330,559	11,670,469	(34,533,252)
UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS Beginning of year	96,403,728	84,733,259	119,266,511
End of year	\$ 101,734,287	\$ 96,403,728	\$ 84,733,259

See Notes to Financial Statements.

# **WILLIAM CASPAR GRAUSTEIN MEMORIAL FUND**

## STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008

	2010	2009	2008
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Dividend and interest received	\$ 2,864,567	\$ 2,688,245	\$ 2,677,882
Cash received from contributors	455,816	388,571	361,134
Grants paid	(3,380,188)	(4,377,481)	(5,164,036)
Cash paid to employees and suppliers	(2,831,943)	(3,134,029)	(3,325,350)
Change in excise tax	 (7,902)	 8,815	 (303,768)
Net cash used in operating activities	 (2,899,650)	 (4,425,879)	 (5,754,138)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Proceeds from sale of investments	13,389,764	16,741,534	19,183,521
Purchase of investments	(11,355,198)	(11,647,516)	(13,654,710)
Purchase of furniture, leasehold improvements and			
equipment	 (4,829)	 (1,076)	 (63,705)
Net cash provided by investing activities	 2,029,737	 5,092,942	 5,465,106
CHANGE IN CASH	(869,913)	667,063	(289,032)
CASH			
BEGINNING OF YEAR	 870,413	 203,350	 492,382
END OF YEAR	\$ 500	\$ 870,413	\$ 203,350
RECONCILIATION OF CHANGE IN NET ASSETS TO NET CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Change in net assets	\$ 5,330,559	\$ 11,670,469	\$ (34,533,252)
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets to net	, ,	, ,	
cash used in operating activities			
Net (gain) loss on investments	(8,592,211)	(14,407,572)	29,476,339
Depreciation and amortization	30,679	31,416	27,443
Change in interest and dividends receivable and	(00.0==)	10001	12.010
other assets	(89,875)	13,304	13,049
Change in grants payable	291,080	(1,802,416)	2,617
Change in accounts payable and other liabilities	 130,118	 68,920	 (740,334)
Net cash used in operating activities	\$ (2,899,650)	\$ (4,425,879)	\$ (5,754,138)

See Notes to Financial Statements.

### WILLIAM CASPAR GRAUSTEIN MEMORIAL FUND

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2010, 2009 AND 2008

### 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

**Description of Activities** - The William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund (the "Memorial Fund") was founded in 1946 by Archibald R. Graustein as a charitable trust. The mission of the Memorial Fund is to improve the effectiveness of education in fostering both personal development and leadership through grants, programs and other charitable activities. The goals of the Memorial Fund are to deepen young children's engagement in their own education, to support Connecticut communities in improving education for their elementary and preschool children, and to develop both statewide and local leadership dedicated to improving and advocating for education in Connecticut. All contributions received by the Memorial Fund have been considered unrestricted.

**Basis of Accounting** - The financial statements of the Memorial Fund have been prepared on the accrual basis of accounting in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The significant accounting policies followed are described below.

Investment and Spending Policies - The Memorial Fund has the objective of maintaining the purchasing power of its endowment to support its charitable activities over time. The Memorial Fund's spending and investment policies work together to achieve this objective. The Memorial Fund maintains a broadly diversified investment portfolio with the goal of achieving after-inflation and after-investment management expenses annual return of 5.25%. Actual returns in any given year may vary from this amount. The current spending policy is to appropriate for operations in each calendar year an amount equal to 5.25% of the average of the fair value of its cash and investments over the previous 36 months. In addition, it is the policy of the Memorial Fund to appropriate a portion of current and prior years' contributions. For the year ended December 31, 2008, the Memorial Fund appropriated an additional \$2,950,000 for operations.

*Cash* - The Memorial Fund maintains its cash in a bank deposit account which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Memorial Fund has not experienced any losses in such account.

*Investments* - are recorded at fair value. Fair value is 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.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net gains and losses on investments include the Memorial Fund's gains or losses on investments bought and sold as well as held during the year.

**Program-Related Investments** - are debt or equity investments for appropriate charitable purposes as set forth in the Internal Revenue Code and regulations thereunder, and are carried at cost. An allowance for possible losses is established when the Memorial Fund does not expect repayment in full and when such uncollectible amount can be reasonably estimated.

*Furniture, Leasehold Improvements and Equipment* - are reflected at cost. Depreciation and amortization are provided using the straight-line method over five to seven years. Accumulated depreciation and amortization was \$662,445, \$631,766 and \$600,350 at December 31, 2010, 2009 and 2008, respectively.

**Contributions** - are recorded on the date received by the Memorial Fund. Contributions by bequest are recorded as soon as the amount is determinable. Contributions of assets other than cash are recorded at market value on the date the contribution is recorded by the Memorial Fund, except for bequests, which are recorded at market value on the date of death.

**Expenses** - The Memorial Fund accounts for its expenses on a functional basis. Accountability activities include activities involved in reporting to the public or to the government.

*Taxes* - As an organization described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, the Memorial Fund is exempt from federal income taxes and has been classified as a private foundation. In accordance with the applicable provisions of the Internal Revenue Code, the Memorial Fund is subject to an excise tax on net investment income, including realized gains, and to tax on unrelated business income in connection with certain partnership investments. Deferred taxes are recognized on unrealized gains and interest and dividends receivable at the date of the financial statements. The informational returns of the Memorial Fund for the years ended December 31, 2007 through 2010 are subject to examination by the Internal Revenue Service and various states.

**Estimates** - The preparation of the Memorial Fund's financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses for the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates. Significant estimates include those used in determining the valuation of investments.

**Reclassifications** - Certain amounts in the December 31, 2009 financial statements have been reclassified to conform with the current year's presentation.

**Subsequent Events** - In preparing these financial statements, management has evaluated subsequent events through March 2, 2011, which represents the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

#### 2. FAIR VALUE

The Fund's major financial instruments consist of cash, investments, accounts payables and grants payable.

The fair values of cash, accounts payables and grants payable approximate their carrying values due to the short-term nature of these items. Investments are recorded at fair value as discussed in Note 1, and as presented below.

The Memorial Fund is required under Fair Value Measurements of the FASB Codification to measure the fair value under a three-level hierarchy, as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities traded in active markets.

Level 2 - Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability; or inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data, by correlation or other means, and the Memorial Fund has the ability to redeem the asset in the near term subsequent to the measurement date.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement, and the Memorial Fund does not have the ability to redeem the asset in the near term.

The Memorial Fund utilizes valuation techniques that maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs. The fair value of investment securities is the market value based on quoted market prices, when available, or market prices provided by recognized broker dealers. If listed prices or quotes are not available, fair value is based upon externally developed models that use unobservable inputs due to the limited market activity of the instrument. Valuation for investments maintained by fund managers or limited partnerships are based on the most recent estimates determined by the fund managers or general partners after review by the Memorial Fund's management. Adjustments to such values have been considered but none have been made.

**Assets Measured at Fair Value on a Recurring Basis** - The following is a summary of the source of fair value measurements for assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

Description	Dec	cember 31, 2010	_	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
Short-term	\$	18,024,521	\$	4,618,817	\$	13,405,704	\$	
Equity		42,589,173		12,053,574		30,535,599		
Debt		12,869,695		5,379		12,864,316		
Alternative		30,884,525		•				30,884,525
Program related		4,536	_	4,536	_		-	
Total	\$	104,372,450	\$_	16,682,306	\$	56,805,619	\$	30,884,525
Description	Dec	cember 31, 2009	_	Level 1		Level 2		Level 3
	_		- - - - -		\$			Level 3
Short-term		19,972,402	\$	5,452,938	\$	14,519,464	\$	Level 3
Short-term Equity	_	19,972,402 37,087,301	\$	5,452,938 10,535,675	\$	14,519,464 26,551,626	\$	Level 3
Short-term	_	19,972,402 37,087,301 12,909,677	\$	5,452,938	\$	14,519,464	\$	
Short-term Equity Debt	_	19,972,402 37,087,301	\$	5,452,938 10,535,675	\$	14,519,464 26,551,626	\$	Level 3 27,840,889

**Short-term** - This investment class seeks to provide current income, be the principal source of liquidity for distribution for current expenses and create some measure of diversification. As a result, credit quality is a core emphasis of this allocation. The redemption period for these investments is daily, with no advanced notice.

**Equity** - This investment class seeks to provide long-term capital appreciation. Equity managers are selected with the objective of building a portfolio that is diversified by geographic region, economic sector, industry and market capitalization. The objective in selecting equity managers is to generate average annual compounded returns over the relevant broad market indices (e.g., the S&P 500 and MSCI AC World excluding the U.S.), net of fees, over full market cycles (5-10 years). The redemption period for these investments is daily, with no advanced notice.

**Debt** - This investment class seeks to provide current income and long-term capital appreciation and create some measure of diversification. The redemption period for these investments is daily, with no advanced notice.

**Alternative** - This investment class may include both "absolute return strategies," long/short "equity hedge" strategies, private equity, venture capital and inflation hedges. These investments are expected to produce returns equal to or higher than public market strategies. These investments include marketable alternatives with annual redemptions and limited partnerships, which generally have 4-6 year investment periods and approximately 10-year fund lives.

Some equity and debt securities include those held through mutual fund investments. The classification of investments as Level 2 should not be interpreted to suggest that such investments could not be liquidated at their reported values.

Investments classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy represent the Memorial Fund's investments in financial instruments in which the Memorial Fund's management has used at least one significant unobservable input in the valuation model. The following table presents a reconciliation of activity for the Level 3 financial instruments:

Balance, January 1, 2009 Capital contributions Partnership distributions	\$	23,441,174 3,918,750 (314,928)
Net gain on investments		795,893
Balance, December 31, 2009	\$	27,840,889
Capital contributions		4,138,250
Partnership distributions		(4,040,916)
Net gain on investments		2,946,302
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Balance, December 31, 2010	\$	30,884,525

At December 31, 2010, the Memorial Fund had unfunded capital commitments to limited partnerships of approximately \$17,000,000.

#### 3. COMMITMENTS

As of December 31, 2010, the Memorial Fund is obligated under a noncancelable operating lease for office space, expiring June 30, 2014. The aggregate minimum future payments under the lease total \$525,852, payable in the years ending December 31, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014 in the following amounts: \$144,895, \$149,242, \$153,719 and \$77,996, respectively.