

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023	
A	This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must provide participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B	This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C	If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
D	Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E	If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information
1a	Name of plan FANNING/HOWEY ASSOC., INC. 401(K) PS PLAN
1b	Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
1c	Effective date of plan 07/01/1985
2a	Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 128 W.MARKET ST. CELINA, OH 45822
2b	Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1053065
2c	Plan Sponsor's telephone number 419-305-3340
2d	Business code (see instructions) 541310

Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/03/2024	DORINE A. VOGEL
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/03/2024	DORINE A. VOGEL
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 170
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6a(1) 98 6a(2) 108 6b 0 6c 66 6d 174 6e 1 6f 175 6g(1) 164 6g(2) 169 6h 3
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7

8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

2S 2E 3D 2G 2J 2K 2F 2T

b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:

9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

a Pension Schedules

- (1) ☒ **R** (Retirement Plan Information)
- (2) ☐ **MB** (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (3) ☐ **SB** (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary
- (4) ☐ **DCG** (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____
- (5) ☐ **MEP** (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)

b General Schedules

- (1) ☒ **H** (Financial Information)
- (2) ☐ **I** (Financial Information – Small Plan)
- (3) ☐ **A** (Insurance Information) – Number Attached _____
- (4) ☒ **C** (Service Provider Information)
- (5) ☒ **D** (DFE/Participating Plan Information)
- (6) ☐ **G** (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2023 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2023 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
		2023
		This Form is Open to Public Inspection.

For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023

A Name of plan FANNING/HOWEY ASSOC., INC. 401(K) PS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1053065

Part I

Service Provider Information (see instructions)

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

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Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

- a

Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions).....

X

YesNo
- b

If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

BLACK BOX PENSION ADVOCATES30505 BAINBRIDGE RD
STE 201
SOLON, OH 44139

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

GLOBAL RETIREMENT PARTNERS

4340 REDWOOD HIGHWAY
STE B-30
SAN RAFAEL, CA 94903

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
27 50	NONE	26141	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
99 64 37 15 50 62	NONE	14341	Yes ☒ No ☐	Yes ☒ No ☐	0	Yes ☐ No ☒

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

MORNINGSTAR

22 WEST WASHINGTON STREET
CHICAGO, IL 60602

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
99 50	NONE	2598	Yes ☐ No ☒	Yes ☐ No ☐		Yes ☐ No ☐

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
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Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

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Explanation:

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
code**e** Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or
103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)**a** Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:**b** Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):**c** EIN-PN**d** Entity
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103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

Part II Information on Participating Plans (to be completed by DFEs, other than DCGs)

(Complete as many entries as needed to report all participating plans. DCGs must report each participating plan using Schedule DCG.)

a Plan name**b** Name of
plan sponsor**c** EIN-PN**a** Plan name**b** Name of
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SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan FANNING/HOWEY ASSOC., INC. 401(K) PS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	002
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.		
		D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1053065

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)	155959	185721
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)	1975764	2800979
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	22471889	26221863
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts)	1c(14)		
(15) Other	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	24603612	29208563
Liabilities			
g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness	1i		
j Other liabilities	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0	0
Net Assets			
l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	24603612	29208563

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	88597	
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	1056348	
(C) Others (including rollovers)	2a(1)(C)	173572	
(2) Noncash contributions	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		1318517
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit)	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	0	
(E) Participant loans	2b(1)(E)	9808	
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		9808
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds)	2b(2)(C)	518447	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		518447
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions)	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		61804
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		3780457
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		5689033

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	1041001	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		1041001
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	14341	
(3) Recordkeeping fees.....	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)	28740	
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		43081
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		1084082

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		4604951
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☒ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: **BRADY, WARE & SCHOENFELD, INC.**

(2) EIN: **35-1476702**

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)		☒	
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)		☒	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	☒		500000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		☒	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?		☒	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	☒		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)		☒	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?		☒	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		☒	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		☒	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☒ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.

5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)

5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)

5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined

If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2023 and ending 12/31/2023		
A Name of plan FANNING/HOWEY ASSOC., INC. 401(K) PS PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) 002	
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 34-1053065	

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1	0
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 45-0404698 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.		
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3	

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☐ No

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

14 Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:		
a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment)	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14b	
c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment)	14c	
15 Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:		
a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year	15a	
b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year	15b	
16 Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:		
a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year	16a	
b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers	16b	
17 If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐		

Part VI	Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans
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18 If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐	
19 If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) and (b):	
a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as: Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%	
b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: ☐ 0-5 years ☐ 5-10 years ☐ 10-15 years ☐ 15 years or more	
20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements. If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.	
a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:	
☐ Yes.	
☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.	
☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.	
☐ No. Other. Provide explanation. _____	

Part VII	IRS Compliance Questions
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21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).	
☐ Design-based safe harbor method	
☐ "Prior year" ADP test	
☒ "Current year" ADP test	
☐ N/A	
22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter <u>06 / 30 / 2020</u> (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number <u>Q703678A</u> .	

**FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

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BRADY WARE
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Plan Administrator
Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc.
401(k) Profit Sharing Plan
Celina, Ohio

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan**, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit]. The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- The information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan** and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all Plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. 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 financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Dayton, Ohio
September 27, 2024

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 26,221,863	\$ 22,471,889
Investment at contract value	2,800,979	1,975,764
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>109,434</u>	<u>83,648</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 29,132,276</u>	<u>\$ 24,531,301</u>

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Investment income (loss)		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 3,842,261	\$ (5,186,349)
Interest and dividends	518,447	416,937
Total investment income (loss)	4,360,708	(4,769,412)
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	9,808	8,558
Contributions		
Employer	88,597	82,067
Participants	1,056,348	978,741
Rollovers	173,572	82,019
Total contributions	1,318,517	1,142,827
Total additions	5,689,033	(3,618,027)
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Benefits paid to participants	1,041,001	545,323
Administrative expenses	43,081	32,045
Change in loan valuation	3,976	8,066
Total deductions	1,088,058	585,434
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	4,600,975	(4,203,461)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	24,531,301	28,734,762
End of year	\$ 29,132,276	\$ 24,531,301

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan** (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General - The Plan is a defined contribution profit-sharing plan covering all eligible employees of Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. (the "Company"). The Plan allows all employees of the Company, excluding collective bargaining (union) employees and non-resident aliens, who have one month of service and have attained age 20 years and 6 months, to participate. Upon satisfaction of the eligibility requirements, employees may enter the Plan on the first day of the following month. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions - The Plan provides for employee salary deferrals within statutory limits, as defined in the Plan, each year as an elective deferral. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans. Participants who have attained age 50 by the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. In addition, the Plan allows participants to make Roth contributions. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 6% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. Employer matching contributions are discretionary and participants become eligible for these contributions upon eligibility to participate in the Plan. For the years 2023 and 2022, the Company contributed 10% of the first 12% of elective deferrals. The Company may also make additional discretionary profit sharing contributions to the Plan. The Company did not make any profit sharing contributions in 2023 and 2022. No contributions shall be made on behalf of a participant to the extent that, when added to the participant's salary deferral contributions, it would cause the amounts allocated to exceed the limitations allowed by the Internal Revenue Service.

Participant Accounts - Ascensus Trust Company (the "Trustee") is Trustee and Custodian of Plan investments. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, Company contributions, net earnings or losses, forfeitures, distributions, and withdrawals. Company contributions are allocated based on participants' compensation as defined by the Plan Agreement. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Each participant directs both separately, and distinctly, into which investment the participant contribution, employer match, and discretionary contribution are to be invested.

Vesting - Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions, rollovers, and corresponding earnings. The following schedule will be used to determine vesting in the Company matching and discretionary profit sharing contributions and their earnings:

<u>Completed Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting Percentages</u>
Fewer than 2	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6 or more	100%

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN - CONTINUED

Benefits Paid - Upon termination of service by reason of retirement, death, permanent disability, or otherwise, participants, or designated beneficiaries, may elect to receive their vested balance either in a lump-sum amount, or payments over a period of time in cash installments, or in a form agreeable to the Plan Administrator. If the participant's account balance is \$5,000 or less, the Plan Administrator may elect to automatically distribute the balance to the participant in a single-sum payment. In addition, participants may receive distributions of all vested amounts for qualified financial hardships.

Forfeitures - Forfeited balances of terminated participants' non-vested accounts are used to reduce Company contributions and pay Plan expenses. Forfeitures in the amount of \$11,740 and \$1,903 were used to pay Plan expenses during 2023 and 2022. Unallocated forfeitures at December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$0 and \$1,883.

Notes Receivable From Participants - Participants may borrow from the Plan in any amount between \$1,000 and \$50,000, but not more than 50% of their vested account balance. Loans bear interest at an agreed-upon percentage based on prevailing market rates, subject to applicable usury limits. Loan terms are for a period not exceeding five years. A longer term may be approved by the Plan if proceeds are to be used for the purchase of a primary residence. Loans are secured by the balance in the participants' accounts. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Participants are able to have up to twenty loans outstanding at any given time.

Investment Options - Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct contributions in investment options in increments of one percent. Participants may change their investment options at any time via phone or the Internet. Deferral percentages can be changed via the enrollment form or the Internet.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting - The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

Investments held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Contract value is the relevant measurement for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

Financial Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan's Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - Investments, with the exception of the fully benefit-responsive investment contract, are reported 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. The stable value fund is valued at contract value. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

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 appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable from Participants - Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. The allowance for uncollectible loans receivable was \$76,287 and \$72,311 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced. A benefit payment is only recorded upon termination of service by reason of retirement, death, permanent disability, or otherwise.

Payment of Benefits - Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses - The Company pays certain administrative expenses of the Plan, and the Plan participants will bear the responsibility of the remaining expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events - In preparing these financial statements, the Plan has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 27, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 - CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments, and interest and dividends for the years 2023 and 2022, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Ascensus Trust Company (the Trustee of the Plan).

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting standards provide a framework for measuring fair value. This framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements), and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

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NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under the accounting standards are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

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;
- inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs, and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodology used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodology used at December 31, 2023.

Equity security and bond funds: Valued at the quoted market prices of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Equity security funds	\$ 24,501,574	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,501,574
Bond funds	1,720,289	-	-	1,720,289
	<u>\$ 26,221,863</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,221,863</u>

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NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair Value
Equity security funds	\$ 20,931,638	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,931,638
Bond funds	1,540,251	-	-	1,540,251
	<u>\$ 22,471,889</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 22,471,889</u>

NOTE 5 - FULLY BENEFIT-RESPONSIVE INVESTMENT CONTRACT

The Reliance Trust Company MetLife GAC Series 25053 fund invests in synthetic investment contracts issued by a life insurance company. The asset is included in the statements of net assets available for benefits at its contract value.

Certain events, such as premature termination of the contract by the Plan or the termination of the Plan, would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with the issuer. The Plan Administrator believes the occurrence of such events, which would also limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with Plan participants, is not probable.

NOTE 6 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan assets are held in trust with Ascensus Trust Company. Thus, Ascensus Trust Company, as Trustee defined by the Plan, qualifies as a party-in-interest.

Ascensus, LLC provides recordkeeping and administrative services for the Plan and qualifies as a party-in-interest. Fees paid by the Plan for the years 2023 and 2022 totaled \$14,341 and \$3,905.

Global Retirement Partners, LLC, and Morningstar, Inc. provide certain investment advisory services to the Plan and qualify as parties-in-interest. Investment advisory fees paid by the Plan for the years 2023 and 2022 totaled \$28,740 and \$28,140.

The Plan Sponsor provides certain accounting, recordkeeping, and administrative services to the Plan, for which it receives no compensation.

NOTE 7 - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA and its related regulations. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in the employer portion of contributions.

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NOTE 8 - TAX STATUS

The Plan adopted a Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing Plan with a cash or deferral arrangement which received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service on June 30, 2020, which stated that the Plan, and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter; however, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan, and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more-likely-than-not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 9 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term, and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 10 - BENEFITS ALLOCATED TO WITHDRAWN PARTICIPANTS

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no amounts due to participants who have withdrawn from the Plan and requested benefit payment prior to year-end.

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

NOTE 11 - RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits between the financial statements and the Form 5500 at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 29,132,276	\$ 24,531,301
Allowance for uncollectible notes receivable from participants	<u>76,287</u>	<u>72,311</u>
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 29,208,563</u>	<u>\$ 24,603,612</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits between the financial statements and the Form 5500 for the years 2023 and 2022:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 4,600,975	\$ (4,203,461)
Change in allowance for uncollectible notes receivable from participants	<u>3,976</u>	<u>8,066</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 4,604,951</u>	<u>\$ (4,195,395)</u>

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

PLAN'S EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34-1053065

PLAN NUMBER: 002

December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, and Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
Stable value fund				
	Reliance Trust Company	MetLife GAC-25053 Class 0	#	\$ 2,800,979
Equity security funds				
	PIMCO	All Asset Instl	#	167,045
	Vanguard	Small Cap Index Adm	#	320,530
	American Funds	New World Fund R6	#	381,744
	American Funds	Capital Income Builder R6	#	1,312,331
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2010 R6	#	230,304
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2015 R6	#	744,326
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2020 R6	#	142,417
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2025 R6	#	124,555
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2030 R6	#	947,816
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2035 R6	#	348,857
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2040 R6	#	764,046
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2045 R6	#	1,130,750
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2050 R6	#	998,278
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2055 R6	#	81,127
	American Funds	Investment Company of America R6	#	2,520,326
	American Funds	SmallCap World Fund R6	#	1,644,168
	American Funds	New Perspective Fund R6	#	2,758,017
	American Funds	Washington Mutual Investors R6	#	2,242,577
	Vanguard	MidCap Index Fund Adm	#	478,916
	Vanguard	500 Index Fund Adm	#	986,256
	American Funds	American Balanced Fund R6	#	2,001,400
	American Funds	Growth Fund of America R6	#	2,065,576
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund R6	#	1,583,544
	DFA U.S.	Targeted Value Portfolio I	#	228,318
	Schwab	Fundamental US Large Company Index Fund	#	298,350
				<u>24,501,574</u>
Bond funds				
	PIMCO	Total Return II Instl	#	588,051
	PGIM	Total Return Bond Q	#	722,858
	BlackRock	High Yield Bond Portfolio K	#	409,380
				<u>1,720,289</u>

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR) - CONTINUED

PLAN'S EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34-1053065

PLAN NUMBER: 002

December 31, 2023

		(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, and Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party			
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest rates ranging from 5.50% to 10.50%, maximum five-year term, unless for the purchase of a primary residence, collateralized by 50% of participants' vested account balance. Loans maturing through March 2052.	-0-	109,434
				<u>\$ 29,132,276</u>

* Represents a party-in-interest to the Plan.

Cost not readily determinable.

**FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.
401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
AND SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

Plan Administrator
Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc.
401(k) Profit Sharing Plan
Celina, Ohio

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed audits of the accompanying financial statements of **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan**, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) [ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit]. The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2023 and 2022, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audits need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained certifications from a qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion

In our opinion, based on our audits and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section:

- The amounts and disclosures in the financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.
- The information in the financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan** and to meet our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audits. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all Plan amendments, administering the Plan, and determining that the Plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the Plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit section of our report, our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit 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 **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan's** ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audits did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control-related matters that we identified during the audit.

INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT - CONTINUED

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year) as of December 31, 2023 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. 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 financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedule, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audits of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedule, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedule, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion:

- The form and content of the supplemental schedule, other than the information in the supplemental schedule that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, are presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- The information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).



Dayton, Ohio
September 27, 2024

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

December 31, 2023 and 2022

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 26,221,863	\$ 22,471,889
Investment at contract value	2,800,979	1,975,764
Receivables		
Notes receivable from participants	<u>109,434</u>	<u>83,648</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 29,132,276</u>	<u>\$ 24,531,301</u>

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

Years Ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

	2023	2022
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Investment income (loss)		
Net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments	\$ 3,842,261	\$ (5,186,349)
Interest and dividends	518,447	416,937
Total investment income (loss)	4,360,708	(4,769,412)
Interest income on notes receivable from participants	9,808	8,558
Contributions		
Employer	88,597	82,067
Participants	1,056,348	978,741
Rollovers	173,572	82,019
Total contributions	1,318,517	1,142,827
Total additions	5,689,033	(3,618,027)
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Benefits paid to participants	1,041,001	545,323
Administrative expenses	43,081	32,045
Change in loan valuation	3,976	8,066
Total deductions	1,088,058	585,434
NET INCREASE (DECREASE)	4,600,975	(4,203,461)
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS		
Beginning of year	24,531,301	28,734,762
End of year	\$ 29,132,276	\$ 24,531,301

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of the **Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. 401(k) Profit Sharing Plan** (the "Plan") provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan Agreement for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General - The Plan is a defined contribution profit-sharing plan covering all eligible employees of Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. (the "Company"). The Plan allows all employees of the Company, excluding collective bargaining (union) employees and non-resident aliens, who have one month of service and have attained age 20 years and 6 months, to participate. Upon satisfaction of the eligibility requirements, employees may enter the Plan on the first day of the following month. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

Contributions - The Plan provides for employee salary deferrals within statutory limits, as defined in the Plan, each year as an elective deferral. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans. Participants who have attained age 50 by the end of the Plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. In addition, the Plan allows participants to make Roth contributions. The Plan includes an auto-enrollment provision whereby all newly eligible employees are automatically enrolled in the Plan unless they affirmatively elect not to participate in the Plan. Automatically enrolled participants have their deferral rate set at 6% of eligible compensation and their contributions invested in a designated balanced fund until changed by the participant. Employer matching contributions are discretionary and participants become eligible for these contributions upon eligibility to participate in the Plan. For the years 2023 and 2022, the Company contributed 10% of the first 12% of elective deferrals. The Company may also make additional discretionary profit sharing contributions to the Plan. The Company did not make any profit sharing contributions in 2023 and 2022. No contributions shall be made on behalf of a participant to the extent that, when added to the participant's salary deferral contributions, it would cause the amounts allocated to exceed the limitations allowed by the Internal Revenue Service.

Participant Accounts - Ascensus Trust Company (the "Trustee") is Trustee and Custodian of Plan investments. Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contributions, Company contributions, net earnings or losses, forfeitures, distributions, and withdrawals. Company contributions are allocated based on participants' compensation as defined by the Plan Agreement. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account. Each participant directs both separately, and distinctly, into which investment the participant contribution, employer match, and discretionary contribution are to be invested.

Vesting - Participants are immediately vested in their voluntary contributions, rollovers, and corresponding earnings. The following schedule will be used to determine vesting in the Company matching and discretionary profit sharing contributions and their earnings:

<u>Completed Years of Service</u>	<u>Vesting Percentages</u>
Fewer than 2	0%
2	20%
3	40%
4	60%
5	80%
6 or more	100%

FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC. 401(K) PROFIT SHARING PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1 - DESCRIPTION OF PLAN - CONTINUED

Benefits Paid - Upon termination of service by reason of retirement, death, permanent disability, or otherwise, participants, or designated beneficiaries, may elect to receive their vested balance either in a lump-sum amount, or payments over a period of time in cash installments, or in a form agreeable to the Plan Administrator. If the participant's account balance is \$5,000 or less, the Plan Administrator may elect to automatically distribute the balance to the participant in a single-sum payment. In addition, participants may receive distributions of all vested amounts for qualified financial hardships.

Forfeitures - Forfeited balances of terminated participants' non-vested accounts are used to reduce Company contributions and pay Plan expenses. Forfeitures in the amount of \$11,740 and \$1,903 were used to pay Plan expenses during 2023 and 2022. Unallocated forfeitures at December 31, 2023 and 2022 were \$0 and \$1,883.

Notes Receivable From Participants - Participants may borrow from the Plan in any amount between \$1,000 and \$50,000, but not more than 50% of their vested account balance. Loans bear interest at an agreed-upon percentage based on prevailing market rates, subject to applicable usury limits. Loan terms are for a period not exceeding five years. A longer term may be approved by the Plan if proceeds are to be used for the purchase of a primary residence. Loans are secured by the balance in the participants' accounts. Principal and interest are paid ratably through payroll deductions. Participants are able to have up to twenty loans outstanding at any given time.

Investment Options - Upon enrollment in the Plan, a participant may direct contributions in investment options in increments of one percent. Participants may change their investment options at any time via phone or the Internet. Deferral percentages can be changed via the enrollment form or the Internet.

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting - The financial statements of the Plan are prepared using the accrual method of accounting.

Investments held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Contract value is the relevant measurement for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

Financial Estimates - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires the Plan's Administrator to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of net assets, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements, and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition - Investments, with the exception of the fully benefit-responsive investment contract, are reported 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. The stable value fund is valued at contract value. See Note 4 for discussion of fair value measurements.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - CONTINUED

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 appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable from Participants - Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred. The allowance for uncollectible loans receivable was \$76,287 and \$72,311 as of December 31, 2023 and 2022. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the Plan Administrator deems the participant loan to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced. A benefit payment is only recorded upon termination of service by reason of retirement, death, permanent disability, or otherwise.

Payment of Benefits - Benefits are recorded when paid.

Administrative Expenses - The Company pays certain administrative expenses of the Plan, and the Plan participants will bear the responsibility of the remaining expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events - In preparing these financial statements, the Plan has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through September 27, 2024, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3 - CERTIFIED INVESTMENTS

Certain information related to investments disclosed in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule, including investments held at December 31, 2023 and 2022, net appreciation (depreciation) in fair value of investments, and interest and dividends for the years 2023 and 2022, was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate by Ascensus Trust Company (the Trustee of the Plan).

NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

Accounting standards provide a framework for measuring fair value. This framework provides a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value. The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level 1 measurements), and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3 measurements).

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NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under the accounting standards are described as follows:

Level 1 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access.

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;
- inputs that are derived principally from, or corroborated by, observable market data by correlation or other means.

If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to the fair value measurement.

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs, and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodology used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodology used at December 31, 2023.

Equity security and bond funds: Valued at the quoted market prices of shares held by the Plan at year-end.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2023:

	<u>Level 1</u>	<u>Level 2</u>	<u>Level 3</u>	<u>Fair Value</u>
Equity security funds	\$ 24,501,574	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 24,501,574
Bond funds	1,720,289	-	-	1,720,289
	<u>\$ 26,221,863</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 26,221,863</u>

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NOTE 4 - FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS - CONTINUED

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2022:

	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Fair Value
Equity security funds	\$ 20,931,638	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 20,931,638
Bond funds	1,540,251	-	-	1,540,251
	<u>\$ 22,471,889</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 22,471,889</u>

NOTE 5 - FULLY BENEFIT-RESPONSIVE INVESTMENT CONTRACT

The Reliance Trust Company MetLife GAC Series 25053 fund invests in synthetic investment contracts issued by a life insurance company. The asset is included in the statements of net assets available for benefits at its contract value.

Certain events, such as premature termination of the contract by the Plan or the termination of the Plan, would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with the issuer. The Plan Administrator believes the occurrence of such events, which would also limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with Plan participants, is not probable.

NOTE 6 - RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Certain Plan assets are held in trust with Ascensus Trust Company. Thus, Ascensus Trust Company, as Trustee defined by the Plan, qualifies as a party-in-interest.

Ascensus, LLC provides recordkeeping and administrative services for the Plan and qualifies as a party-in-interest. Fees paid by the Plan for the years 2023 and 2022 totaled \$14,341 and \$3,905.

Global Retirement Partners, LLC, and Morningstar, Inc. provide certain investment advisory services to the Plan and qualify as parties-in-interest. Investment advisory fees paid by the Plan for the years 2023 and 2022 totaled \$28,740 and \$28,140.

The Plan Sponsor provides certain accounting, recordkeeping, and administrative services to the Plan, for which it receives no compensation.

NOTE 7 - PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Company has the right to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA and its related regulations. In the event of Plan termination, participants will become 100% vested in the employer portion of contributions.

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NOTE 8 - TAX STATUS

The Plan adopted a Non-Standardized Pre-Approved Profit Sharing Plan with a cash or deferral arrangement which received a favorable opinion letter from the Internal Revenue Service on June 30, 2020, which stated that the Plan, and related trust are designed in accordance with applicable sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter; however, the Plan Administrator believes that the Plan is currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no provision for income taxes has been included in the Plan's financial statements.

U.S. generally accepted accounting principles require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan, and recognize a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more-likely-than-not would not be sustained upon examination by the Internal Revenue Service. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

NOTE 9 - RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term, and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

NOTE 10 - BENEFITS ALLOCATED TO WITHDRAWN PARTICIPANTS

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, there were no amounts due to participants who have withdrawn from the Plan and requested benefit payment prior to year-end.

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NOTE 11 - RECONCILIATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS TO FORM 5500

The following is a reconciliation of net assets available for benefits between the financial statements and the Form 5500 at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 29,132,276	\$ 24,531,301
Allowance for uncollectible notes receivable from participants	<u>76,287</u>	<u>72,311</u>
Net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 29,208,563</u>	<u>\$ 24,603,612</u>

The following is a reconciliation of the net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits between the financial statements and the Form 5500 for the years 2023 and 2022:

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits per the financial statements	\$ 4,600,975	\$ (4,203,461)
Change in allowance for uncollectible notes receivable from participants	<u>3,976</u>	<u>8,066</u>
Net increase (decrease) in net assets available for benefits per Form 5500	<u>\$ 4,604,951</u>	<u>\$ (4,195,395)</u>

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)

PLAN'S EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34-1053065

PLAN NUMBER: 002

December 31, 2023

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, and Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
	Stable value fund			
	Reliance Trust Company	MetLife GAC-25053 Class 0	#	\$ 2,800,979
	Equity security funds			
	PIMCO	All Asset Instl	#	167,045
	Vanguard	Small Cap Index Adm	#	320,530
	American Funds	New World Fund R6	#	381,744
	American Funds	Capital Income Builder R6	#	1,312,331
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2010 R6	#	230,304
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2015 R6	#	744,326
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2020 R6	#	142,417
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2025 R6	#	124,555
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2030 R6	#	947,816
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2035 R6	#	348,857
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2040 R6	#	764,046
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2045 R6	#	1,130,750
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2050 R6	#	998,278
	American Funds	Target Date Retirement 2055 R6	#	81,127
	American Funds	Investment Company of America R6	#	2,520,326
	American Funds	SmallCap World Fund R6	#	1,644,168
	American Funds	New Perspective Fund R6	#	2,758,017
	American Funds	Washington Mutual Investors R6	#	2,242,577
	Vanguard	MidCap Index Fund Adm	#	478,916
	Vanguard	500 Index Fund Adm	#	986,256
	American Funds	American Balanced Fund R6	#	2,001,400
	American Funds	Growth Fund of America R6	#	2,065,576
	American Funds	EuroPacific Growth Fund R6	#	1,583,544
	DFA U.S.	Targeted Value Portfolio I	#	228,318
	Schwab	Fundamental US Large Company Index Fund	#	298,350
				<u>24,501,574</u>
	Bond funds			
	PIMCO	Total Return II Instl	#	588,051
	PGIM	Total Return Bond Q	#	722,858
	BlackRock	High Yield Bond Portfolio K	#	409,380
				<u>1,720,289</u>

See independent auditors' report.

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SCHEDULE H, LINE 4i - SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR) - CONTINUED

PLAN'S EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 34-1053065

PLAN NUMBER: 002

December 31, 2023

		(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, and Par or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor, or Similar Party			
*	Notes receivable from participants	Interest rates ranging from 5.50% to 10.50%, maximum five-year term, unless for the purchase of a primary residence, collateralized by 50% of participants' vested account balance. Loans maturing through March 2052.	-0-	109,434
				<u>\$ 29,132,276</u>

* Represents a party-in-interest to the Plan.

Cost not readily determinable.

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2023 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2023 or fiscal plan year beginning		and ending	
A Name of plan	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶		
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500	D Employer Identification Number (EIN)		

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)		
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)		
(3) Other	1b(3)		
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other.....	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)		
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(1) Employer securities.....	1d(1)		
(2) Employer real property.....	1d(2)		
e Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e		
f Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f		

Liabilities

g Benefit claims payable	1g		
h Operating payables	1h		
i Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i		
j Other liabilities.....	1j		
k Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k		

Net Assets

l Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l		
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Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

Income

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)		
(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)		
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)		
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		
b Earnings on investments:			
(1) Interest:			
(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)		
(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)		
(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)		
(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)		
(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)		
(F) Other	2b(1)(F)		
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		
(2) Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)		
(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)		
(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)		
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		
(3) Rents	2b(3)		
(4) Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)		
(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)		
(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)		
(5) Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)		
(B) Other	2b(5)(B)		
(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)		

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	2b(10)		
c Other income	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)		
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Salaries and allowances.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)		
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees.....	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees.....	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees.....	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees.....	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees.....	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees.....	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses.....	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses.....	2i(11)		
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11).....	2i(12)		
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☐ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name:

(2) EIN:

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions.)

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.)

	Yes	No	Amount
4a			
4b			
4c			
4d			
4e			
4f			
4g			
4h			
4i			
4j			
4k			
4l			
4m			
4n			

b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)

c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)

d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)

e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?

f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?

g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?

i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)

j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)

k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?

l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?

m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)

n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.

5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year

Attachment to 2023 Form 5500
Schedule H, line 4i - Schedule of Assets (Held at End of Year)

Plan Name FANNING/HOWEY ASSOC., INC. 401(K) PS PLAN

EIN: 34-1053065

Plan Sponsor's Name FANNING/HOWEY ASSOCIATES, INC.

PN: 002

(a)	(b) Identity of issue, borrower, lessor, or similar party	(c) Description of investment including maturity date, rate of interest, collateral, par, or maturity value.	(d) Cost	(e) Current value
	American Funds	American Funds Growth Fund of Amer R6	0	2,065,576
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	American Funds	American Funds EuroPacific Gr R6	0	1,583,544
	American Funds	American Funds SMALLCAP World R6	0	1,644,168
	American Funds	American Funds New World R6	0	381,744
	PIMCO	PIMCO Total Return II Instl	0	588,051
	PGIM	PGIM Total Return Bond R6	0	722,858
	BlackRock	BlackRock High Yield Bond K	0	409,380
	PIMCO	PIMCO All Asset Instl	0	167,045

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	MetLife	MetLife GAC-25053 Class 0	0	2,800,979
	American Funds	American Funds American Balanced R6	0	2,001,400
	American Funds	American Funds Capital Inc Bldr R6	0	1,312,331
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2010 R6	0	230,304
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2015 R6	0	744,326
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2020 R6	0	142,417
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2025 R6	0	124,555

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	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2030 R6	0	947,816
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2035 R6	0	348,857
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2040 R6	0	764,046
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2045 R6	0	1,130,750
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2050 R6	0	998,278
	American Funds	American Funds Trgt Date Ret 2055 R6	0	81,127
	DFA	DFA U.S. Targeted Value Portfolio I	0	228,318

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