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Form **990-PF**

Return of Private Foundation

OMB No 1545-0052

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

or Section 4947(a)(1) Trust Treated as Private Foundation

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For calendar year 2016 or tax year beginning 07/01, 2016, and ending 06/30, 2017

Name of foundation: **LEON W. AMES EDUCATIONAL FUND**

Number and street (or P.O. box number if mail is not delivered to street address): **1000 WALNUT**

Room/suite: _____

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code: **KANSAS CITY, MO 64106**

A Employer identification number: **43-6502253**

B Telephone number (see instructions): **816-234-1883**

C If exemption application is pending, check here

D 1 Foreign organizations, check here
2 Foreign organizations meeting the 85% test, check here and attach computation

E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here

F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here

G Check all that apply: Initial return Initial return of a former public charity
 Final return Amended return
 Address change Name change

H Check type of organization: Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation
 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust Other taxable private foundation

I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col. (c), line 16) **\$ 422,971.**

J Accounting method Cash Accrual
 Other (specify) _____
(Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)				
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch. B.				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities	9,635.	9,635.		
	5a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10	19,697.			
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a	105,179.			
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)		19,697.		
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	29,332.	29,332.			
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc.	5,324.	3,809.		1,515.
	14 Other employee salaries and wages		NONE	NONE	
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits		NONE	NONE	
	16a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see instructions)				
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings		NONE	NONE	
	22 Printing and publications		NONE	NONE	
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule)				
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23.	5,324.	3,809.	NONE	1,515.
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid	18,744.			18,744.
26 Total expenses and disbursements. Add lines 24 and 25.	24,068.	3,809.	NONE	20,259.	
Net Investment Income	27 Subtract line 26 from line 12				
	a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	5,264.			
	b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		25,523.		
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)					

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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)			
		Beginning of year (a) Book Value	End of year (b) Book Value (c) Fair Market Value		
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	5,270.	12,872.	12,872.
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3	Accounts receivable ▶			
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶			
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶			
		Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶	NONE		
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10a	Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule)	STMT A 191,922.	201,134.	262,792.
	c	Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)	STMT A 150,858.	139,313.	147,307.
	11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶			
	Less accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule)				
12	Investments - mortgage loans				
13	Investments - other (attach schedule)				
14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶				
	Less accumulated depreciation ▶ (attach schedule)				
15	Other assets (describe ▶ INCREASE TO BASIS DUE TO WASH)				
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions. Also, see page 1, item I)	348,050.	353,319.	422,971.	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses			
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)			
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)		NONE		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted			
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds	348,050.	353,319.	
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
	29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds			
30	Total net assets or fund balances (see instructions)	348,050.	353,319.		
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see instructions)	348,050.	353,319.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances		
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1 348,050.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2 5,264.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶ ROUNDING	3 5.
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4 353,319.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6 353,319.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

(a) List and describe the kind(s) of property sold (e.g., real estate, 2-story brick warehouse; or common stock, 200 shs. MLC Co)		(b) How acquired P - Purchase D - Donation	(c) Date acquired (mo., day, yr.)	(d) Date sold (mo., day, yr.)
1 a PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES				
b				
c				
d				
e				
(e) Gross sales price	(f) Depreciation allowed (or allowable)	(g) Cost or other basis plus expense of sale	(h) Gain or (loss) (e) plus (f) minus (g)	
a 105,179.		85,482.	19,697.	
b				
c				
d				
e				
Complete only for assets showing gain in column (h) and owned by the foundation on 12/31/69				(l) Gains (Col. (h) gain minus col (k), but not less than -0-) or Losses (from col (h))
(i) F.M.V. as of 12/31/69	(j) Adjusted basis as of 12/31/69	(k) Excess of col. (i) over col. (j), if any		
a			19,697.	
b				
c				
d				
e				
2 Capital gain net income or (net capital loss)	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 7 }		2	19,697.
3 Net short-term capital gain or (loss) as defined in sections 1222(5) and (6). If gain, also enter in Part I, line 8, column (c) (see instructions). If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8	{ If gain, also enter in Part I, line 7 If (loss), enter -0- in Part I, line 8 }		3	

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income.)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank.

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? Yes No
 If "Yes," the foundation does not qualify under section 4940(e). Do not complete this part.

(a) Base period years Calendar year (or tax year beginning in)	(b) Adjusted qualifying distributions	(c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets	(d) Distribution ratio (col (b) divided by col (c))
2015	21,352.	407,110.	0.052448
2014	20,762.	437,024.	0.047508
2013	20,162.	428,423.	0.047061
2012	19,256.	405,447.	0.047493
2011	19,412.	391,406.	0.049596
2 Total of line 1, column (d)			2 0.244106
3 Average distribution ratio for the 5-year base period - divide the total on line 2 by 5, or by the number of years the foundation has been in existence if less than 5 years.			3 0.048821
4 Enter the net value of noncharitable-use assets for 2016 from Part X, line 5			4 411,869.
5 Multiply line 4 by line 3.			5 20,108.
6 Enter 1% of net investment income (1% of Part I, line 27b).			6 255.
7 Add lines 5 and 6.			7 20,363.
8 Enter qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4. If line 8 is equal to or greater than line 7, check the box in Part VI, line 1b, and complete that part using a 1% tax rate. See the Part VI instructions.			8 20,259.

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 see instructions)

1a	Exempt operating foundations described in section 4940(d)(2), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter "N/A" on line 1 Date of ruling or determination letter _____ (attach copy of letter if necessary - see instructions)	1	510.
b	Domestic foundations that meet the section 4940(e) requirements in Part V, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter 1% of Part I, line 27b		
c	All other domestic foundations enter 2% of line 27b Exempt foreign organizations enter 4% of Part I, line 12, col. (b).		
2	Tax under section 511 (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	2	
3	Add lines 1 and 2	3	510.
4	Subtitle A (income) tax (domestic section 4947(a)(1) trusts and taxable foundations only Others enter -0-)	4	NONE
5	Tax based on investment income. Subtract line 4 from line 3 If zero or less, enter -0-	5	510.
6	Credits/Payments		
a	2016 estimated tax payments and 2015 overpayment credited to 2016	6a	223.
b	Exempt foreign organizations - tax withheld at source	6b	NONE
c	Tax paid with application for extension of time to file (Form 8868)	6c	NONE
d	Backup withholding erroneously withheld	6d	
7	Total credits and payments. Add lines 6a through 6d	7	223.
8	Enter any penalty for underpayment of estimated tax. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if Form 2220 is attached	8	
9	Tax due. If the total of lines 5 and 8 is more than line 7, enter amount owed	9	287.
10	Overpayment. If line 7 is more than the total of lines 5 and 8, enter the amount overpaid	10	
11	Enter the amount of line 10 to be Credited to 2017 estimated tax <input type="checkbox"/> NONE Refunded <input type="checkbox"/> 11	11	

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

	Yes	No
1a		X
1b		X
1c		X
2		X
3		X
4a		X
4b		X
5		X
6	X	
7	X	
8a		
8b	X	
9		X
10		X

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11 At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see instructions). 11 Yes No X
12 Did the foundation make a distribution to a donor advised fund over which the foundation or a disqualified person had advisory privileges? If "Yes," attach statement (see instructions) 12 X
13 Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address N/A 13 X
14 The books are in care of COMMERCE TRUST COMPANY Telephone no (816) 234-1883 Located at 1000 WALNUT, KANSAS CITY, MO ZIP+4 64106
15 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here 15
16 At any time during calendar year 2016, did the foundation have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a bank, securities, or other financial account in a foreign country? 16 Yes No X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

1a During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)
(1) Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? Yes X No
(2) Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? Yes X No
(3) Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? Yes X No
(4) Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? X Yes No
(5) Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? Yes X No
(6) Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days.) Yes X No
b If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? 1b X
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here
c Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016? 1c X
2 Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))
a At the end of tax year 2016, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2016? Yes X No
If "Yes," list the years
b Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see instructions) 2b X
c If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here
3a Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? Yes X No
b If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2016 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2016) 3b
4a Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes? 4a X
b Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2016? 4b X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to

(1) Carry on propaganda, or otherwise attempt to influence legislation (section 4945(e))? Yes No

(2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election (see section 4955), or to carry on, directly or indirectly, any voter registration drive? Yes No

(3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel, study, or other similar purposes? Yes No

(4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable, etc., organization described in section 4945(d)(4)(A)? (see instructions). Yes No

(5) Provide for any purpose other than religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals? Yes No

b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4945 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see instructions)? Yes No
Organizations relying on a current notice regarding disaster assistance check here

c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption from the tax because it maintained expenditure responsibility for the grant? Yes No
If "Yes," attach the statement required by Regulations section 53.4945-5(d)

6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes No

b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes No
If "Yes" to 6b, file Form 8870

7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? Yes No

b If "Yes," did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income attributable to the transaction? Yes No

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see instructions).

(a) Name and address	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
COMMERCE TRUST COMPANY 1000 WALNUT, KANSAS CITY, MO 64106	TRUSTEE 1	5,324.	-0-	-0-

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account, other allowances
NONE		NONE	NONE	NONE

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000 NONE

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see instructions). If none, enter "NONE."		
(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		NONE
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services		NONE

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.	Expenses
1 NONE	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2	Amount
1 NONE	
2	
All other program-related investments. See instructions	
3 NONE	
Total. Add lines 1 through 3	

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes.		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	405,770.
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	12,371.
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see instructions).	1c	NONE
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	418,141.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	NONE
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	418,141.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities. Enter 1 1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	6,272.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3. Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	411,869.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	20,593.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here and do not complete this part.)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	20,593.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2016 from Part VI, line 5	2a	510.
b	Income tax for 2016. (This does not include the tax from Part VI.)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	510.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments. Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	20,083.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	NONE
5	Add lines 3 and 4.	5	20,083.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see instructions).	6	NONE
7	Distributable amount as adjusted. Subtract line 6 from line 5. Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1.	7	20,083.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions (see instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc. - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	20,259.
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	NONE
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the.		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	NONE
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	NONE
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b. Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	20,259.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income. Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see instructions).	5	N/A
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	20,259.

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years.

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2015	(c) 2015	(d) 2016
1 Distributable amount for 2016 from Part XI, line 7				20,083.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2016				
a Enter amount for 2015 only.			18,744.	
b Total for prior years 20 <u>14</u> , 20 <u> </u> , 20 <u> </u>		NONE		
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2016				
a From 2011	NONE			
b From 2012	NONE			
c From 2013	NONE			
d From 2014	NONE			
e From 2015	NONE			
f Total of lines 3a through e	NONE			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2016 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ <u>20,259.</u>				
a Applied to 2015, but not more than line 2a			18,744.	
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see instructions)		NONE		
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see instructions)	NONE			
d Applied to 2016 distributable amount.				1,515.
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus.	NONE			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2016 . (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	NONE			NONE
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus. Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e. Subtract line 5	NONE			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b.		NONE		
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed		NONE		
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b. Taxable amount - see instructions		NONE		
e Undistributed income for 2015 Subtract line 4a from line 2a. Taxable amount - see instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2016 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1. This amount must be distributed in 2017.				18,568.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (Election may be required - see instructions)	NONE			
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2011 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see instructions)	NONE			
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2017. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	NONE			
10 Analysis of line 9.				
a Excess from 2012	NONE			
b Excess from 2013	NONE			
c Excess from 2014	NONE			
d Excess from 2015	NONE			
e Excess from 2016	NONE			

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see instructions and Part VII-A, question 9) NOT APPLICABLE

1a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2016, enter the date of the ruling

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

Table with columns for Tax year (a) 2016, (b) 2015, (c) 2014, (d) 2013, and (e) Total. Rows include 2a through 3c, detailing net income, distributions, and alternative tests.

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers.

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2).)

N/A

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest.

N/A

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here [X] if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc. (see instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d.

a The name, address, and telephone number or e-mail address of the person to whom applications should be addressed

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

c Any submission deadlines

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
<p><i>a Paid during the year</i></p> <p>UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI SIMSER ALUMNI CENTER WARRENSBURG MO 64093</p>	NONE	PC	SCHOLARSHIPS	18,744.
Total				3a 18,744.
<p><i>b Approved for future payment</i></p>				
Total				3b

Part XVII Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations

- 1 Did the organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501(c) of the Code... a Transfers from the reporting foundation to a noncharitable exempt organization of... b Other transactions... c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees... d If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," complete the following schedule.

Table with 4 columns: (a) Line no, (b) Amount involved, (c) Name of noncharitable exempt organization, (d) Description of transfers, transactions, and sharing arrangements.

2a Is the foundation directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code... [X] Yes [] No

Table with 3 columns: (a) Name of organization, (b) Type of organization, (c) Description of relationship. Includes 'SEE STATEMENT B'.

Signature section: Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return... Signature: Douglas P. Nelson, Date: 10/17/17, Title: TRUSTEE, Position: VICE PRESIDENT, COMMERCE TRUST COMPANY.

Leon W Ames Educational Fund
FORM 990PF, PART XVII, LINE 2b -
INFORMATION REGARDING AFFILIATION
WITH TAX-EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS
DESCRIBED IN SEC. 501(C) OF THE CODE
(OTHER THAN SEC. 501(C)(3)) OR IN SEC. 527

EIN: 43-6502253

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
MOUNT HOPE MAUSOLEUM ENDOWMENT
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(13)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
ANN A TRAVER CHARITABLE TRUST B
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(4)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
IVY J TRIMMER - CHRISTIAN CHURCH
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(4)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
IVY J TRIMMER TRUST
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(4)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
ALICE G OGG TRUST UNDER WILL
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(4)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
MARY HARTMANN FOUNDATION
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(4)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
SHAARE SHOLEM CEMETERY TRUST
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(13)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
ADATH JOSEPH CEMETERY FUND
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(13)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

NAME OF ORGANIZATION:
NINA BOZARTH T/U/W FBO KAMPF
CEMETERY
TYPE OF ORGANIZATION:
501(C)(13)
DESCRIPTION OF RELATIONSHIP:
COMMON TRUSTEE

LEON W AMES EDUCATIONAL FUND#
EIN: 43-6502253
As of June 30, 2017

Group	Description	Units	Book Value	Market Value
1	FINANCIAL SQUARE TR GOVERNMENT FD	12,872	12,872.16	12,872.16
1 Total		12,872	12,872.16	12,872.16
2	MFS RESEARCH INTERNATIONAL FUND-I	1,299	18,978.79	23,762.55
	COMMERCE GROWTH FUND			
	INSTITUTIONAL	646	13,440.76	19,905.33
	AQR MANAGED FUTURES STRATEGY FUND			
	I	1,368	13,654.54	12,035.06
	COMMERCE MIDCAP GROWTH FUND	504	12,255.43	19,243.43
	COMMERCE VALUE FUND INSTITUTIONAL	583	8,901.28	18,505.86
	DFA INTL SMALL CO PORTFOLIO	657	11,157.86	13,134.19
	DFA US LARGE CAP VALUE PORTFOLIO	384	13,304.30	14,126.01
	ISHARES RUSSELL MIDCAP VALUE ETF	210	5,796.62	17,658.90
	ISHARES RUSSELL 1000 VALUE ETF	120	7,110.58	13,971.60
	JP MORGAN ALERIAN MLP INDEX ETN	430	13,072.06	12,771.00
	NORTHERN FDS ACTIVE M EMRG MKT EQ			
	FD	695	11,714.17	13,168.79
	OPPENHEIMER MAIN ST S/C-I	1,450	20,831.36	21,889.59
	PRINCIPAL GL MULT STRAT-INST	371	3,960.97	4,176.28
	ROBECO BP LNG/SHRT RES-INS	529	7,178.20	8,480.44
	T ROWE PR OVERSEAS STOCK-I	1,534	14,582.88	16,040.69
	TIAA-CREF L/C GROW INDX-INST	394	8,951.21	10,132.11
	VANGUARD MORGAN GROWTH FD-AD	229	12,385.24	19,861.39
	VANGUARD REIT INDEX FUND-ADM	33	3,857.49	3,929.14
2 Total		11,435	201,133.74	262,792.36
3	COMMERCE BOND FUND #333	6,625	124,874.85	132,372.04
	BLACKROCK HIGH YIELD BD-PORTFOLIO	1,920	14,438.17	14,934.89
3 Total		8,545	139,313.02	147,306.93
Grand Total		32,852	353,318.92	422,971.45