Regent's College (limited by Guarantee)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 August 2004

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Regent's College LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The company's directors are its trustees and the governors are its members for the purposes of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees and members respectively.

TRUSTEES

J Dorgan (Retired 26th February 2004)
Y Makar (Retired 26th February 2004)
E de la Croix
G Colleary (Retired 26th February 2004)
G Gula (Retired 26th February 2004)
P Douglas (Appointed 11th November 2003)
B Cooney (Appointed 11th November 2003, Resigned 27th January 2004)
D Ellis (Appointed 24th March 2004)

The members of the Council of Management (the board of trustees) are appointed either by the members or by the trustees themselves, subject to ratification by the members at the AGM following their appointment. There are also provisions in the Memorandum and Articles of Association empowering members to remove trustees. One third of the trustees retire by rotation each year at the AGM and if they so wish offer themselves for reelection at the AGM.

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Professor Michael Scriven

SECRETARY

Broadway Secretaries Limited

REGISTERED OFFICE AND PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Inner Circle Regent's Park London NW1 4NS

AUDITORS

Grant Thornton UK LLP Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants Churchill House Chalvey Road East Slough Berkshire SL1 2LS

SOLICITORS

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Regent's College LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc London Corporate Banking Group P O Box 544 54 Lombard Street London EC3V 9EX

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Cazenove Fund Management Ltd 12 Moorgate London EC2R 6DA

Dresdner RCM Global Investors (UK) Ltd P O Box 191 10 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 3LB

INSURANCE BROKERS

Arbuthnot Insurance Brokers Thames Bridge House Henley Bridge Henley on Thames RG9 2LN

The trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31 August 2004. This report is prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities and complies with applicable law.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Regent's College is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity that was founded in 1984. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. New trustees are recruited by personal recommendation, advertising in the national press and through appropriate recruitment agencies. A formal training and induction process has been instituted.

The Council of Management (Board of Trustees) has complete responsibility for the stewardship of the Charity's assets, ensuring adherence to its charitable objectives and strategic decision making but delegates day-to-day operational responsibilities to the Chief Executive and senior management team. All of the members of the Council of Management (Board of Trustees) are members of the Council of Management of European Business School Educational Trust Limited which shares the campus with the College.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The object of the charity, as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association, is the advancement of education in England for the public benefit of all.

ORGANISATION AND REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The College operates under the names of British American College London which provides courses of study leading to Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees and (from January 2005) Webster Graduate School, which provides courses of study leading to Master of Arts and Master of Business Administration Degrees. The degrees are accredited by Webster University of St Louis Missouri, USA. The academic programmes are grounded in the Liberal Arts and Science tradition developed in the USA, focusing on intellectual and cultural depth. Students from around the world attend the College. Additionally the College hosts a study abroad programme for American undergraduates from universities and colleges affiliated to the British American College London. Student numbers continue to grow steadily.

The College pursues a policy of growth in student numbers and revenue to enable continuing investment in academic programmes and facilities development to provide the students with a secure and high quality learning environment.

The College has two trading subsidiaries: Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd and Regent's College School of Psychotherapy & Counselling Ltd.

Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd lets rooms on a day to day basis to a range of educational, charitable and commercial organisations. It also provides catering facilities to its clients. The business has grown steadily over the past few years and the staff seek ways to continue to improve the services provided.

The School of Psychotherapy and Counselling has an international reputation as one of the UK's leading therapeutic training institutions, delivering professional training and academic education in psychotherapy, counselling and counselling psychology, from foundation level to doctorate. Over the past four years, the School has expanded its activities into the area of alternative dispute resolution training, with particular success in programmes provided for members of the legal profession. A Counselling and Consultation Centre, operated by the School, provides low cost psychotherapy and counselling to students and staff on campus and to members of the public.

The School operates in a very competitive market place, and in past years has incurred losses. However, thanks to the tremendous efforts of its staff and directors, the School has reversed this trend and is achieving an annual surplus of revenue over cost. Regent's College continues to support the School and monitors its results on a regular basis.

During the year, the school terminated its relationship with the former President, Mrs G Payne, and commenced legal proceedings against a company owned and controlled by her. Full details are given in note 12 to these financial statements.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The net movement in funds for the year, which was arrived at after accounting for an unrealised gain on investments of £53,528 (2003: £30,113), came to a deficit of £146,896 (2003: £414,961). As at 31 August 2004 the reserves amounted to £4,448,305 (2003: £4,595,201). The College received a donation of £615,000 (2003: £400,000), from its subsidiary Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd. Scholarships of £50,692 (2003: £33,615) were awarded to students based on academic merit and financial need.

RESERVES

The trustees have established a policy whereby the unrestricted funds, that is those funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves'), should be the equivalent of 18 months of total resources expended, which equates to £17.8 million. This level of free reserves is required to ensure that sufficient funds are available for teach out costs in the event of significant changes to course arrangements or a material variation in future income.

All the reserves of the Charity are unrestricted funds. At 31 August 2004 they amounted to £4,448,305 (2003: £4,595,201) but only £1,775,055 (2003: £1,902,430) of this is freely available because the balance is invested in tangible fixed assets.

Our policy is therefore to increase reserves to the required level by means of annual operating surpluses and judicious management of our investment assets. The trustees review this policy on a regular basis.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND RESULTS

The trustees' investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The trustees have appointed joint fund managers to invest funds in a range of Common Investment Funds (CIF's) with the aim of maximising capital growth with minimum risk. The majority of the investments are linked to the stock market and as the investments were made at the height of the market the values have declined significantly over the last four years. The trustees consider that the performance of its investment funds during the year was in line with other funds with a similar risk profile.

The performance of the funds is monitored on a regular basis. As at 31 August 2004 the value of the investments amounted to £954,935 (2003; £894,947) compared to an original investment of £1 million.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed and established policies to mitigate those risks. These include the development of a business continuity plan, a detailed security review and the implementation of its recommendations, a Health and Safety review and ongoing measures in compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act. Internal financial and operational controls are subject to continuous scrutiny and improvement.

The marketing policies ensure that students are recruited from all parts of the world in order to maintain the charity's reputation as a truly international institution and reduce reliance on recruitment from a small geographical area.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and the incoming resources and application of resources, including the net income or expenditure, of the Charity for the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS

Grant Thornton UK LLP were appointed auditors to the company on 10th January 2005 to fill a casual vacancy in accordance with S388(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

A resolution to reappoint Grant Thornton UK LLP as auditors will be put to the members at the annual general meeting.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 25th May 2005.

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Trustee

25th May 2005

We have audited the financial statements of Regent's College for the year ended 31 August 2004 which comprise the statement of financial activities (incorporating an income and expenditure account), the balance sheet, the cash flow statement, the principal accounting policies and notes 1 to 15. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

The trustees are also the directors of Regent's College for the purposes of company law. Their responsibilities for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of trustees' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the trustees' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the trustees' report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. This other information comprises only the legal and administrative information and the trustees' report. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charitable company's affairs as at 31 August 2004 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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Registered Auditors

Chartered Accountants Churchill House

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25 May 2005

Regent's College

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

for the year ended 31 August 2004

	Notes	2004	2003
		£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES	_		400.000
Donations and similar incoming resources Incoming resources from operating activities of the charity	1a	615,000	400,000
Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	1b	6,200,435	6,203,915
Activities for generating funds	1c	4,809,539	4,577,668
Investment income	1d	35,506	87,554
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		11,660,480	11,269,137
RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Cost of generating funds	2a	(4,830,744)	(4,609,849)
Net incoming resources available for charitable application		6,829,736	6,346,150
Charitable expenditure			
Costs of activities in furtherance of charity's objects	2b	6,044,750	
Support costs Management and administration of the charity	2b 2b	759,595 210,639	982,420 353,295
Management and administration of the charity	20	210,037	333,433
Total charitable expenditure		7,014,984	7,099,768
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		11,845,728	11,709,617
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NET OUTGOING RESOURCES	3	(185,248)	(440,480)
Gains and losses on revaluations and disposals of			
investment assets		38,352	25,519
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	11	(146,896)	(414,961)
Total funds brought forward at 1 September 2003	11	4,595,201	5,010,162
Total funds carried forward at 31 August 2004	11 .	4,448,305	4,595,201

All the above results are derived from continuing activities.

All funds are unrestricted funds.

The deficit for the year for Companies Act purposes comprises the net outgoing resources for the year plus realised losses on investments and was £200,424 (2003: £445,074).

BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2004

	Notes	2004 £	2003 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	6 7	2,673,250 955,043	2,692,771 895,055
		3,628,293	3,587,826
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	8	2,326,096 658,388	2,770,962 1,052,455
		2,984,484	3,823,417
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	9	(2,164,472)	(2,816,042)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		820,012	1,007,375
TOTAL NET ASSETS		4,448,305	4,595,201
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	11	4,448,305	4,595,201

Approved by the Board on 25th May 2005

Trustee

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Regent's College CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 August 2004

Reconciliation of net outgoing resources to net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities Net outgoing resources Bank and other interest received Dividends received Donations received Depreciation Loss on disposal of assets Decrease/(increase) in debtors (Decrease)/increase in creditors Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities Returns on investments and servicing of finance	£ (185,248) (15,949) (19,557) (615,000) 708,328 - 444,866 (651,570))	£ (440,480) (67,582) (19,972) (400,000) 681,286 50,320 (512,614)	£
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(Decrease)/increase in creditors Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	-	1	(512.614)	
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from operating activities	(651,570)	1		
activities			280,780	
Returns on investments and servicing of finance		(334,130)	-	(428,262
Bank and other interest received	15,949		67,582	
Dividends received	19,557		19,972	
Donations received	615,000		400,000	
	<u> </u>	650,506	 _	487,554
Capital expenditure and financial investment		050,500		407,334
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(688,807)	•	(844,478)	
Fixed asset investments acquired	(176,598)		(37,225)	
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset investment	154,962		15,000	
		(710,443)		(866,703
DECREASE IN THE YEAR		(394,067)		(807,411
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW TO	MOVEM	ENT IN NE	T FUNDS	2004 £
Decrease in cash in the year				(394,067
Net funds at 31 August 2003		•		1,052,455
Net funds at 31 August 2004				658,388
•				
ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS	1	At l September		At 31 August
		2003	Cash flow	2004
		^		
Cash in hand and at bank		£ 1,052,455	£ (394,067)	£

Regent's College PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except that listed fixed asset investments are carried at market value, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP) that was published in October 2000.

The principal accounting policies of the charitable company have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £500 are capitalised and are stated at historical cost.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Leasehold improvements

over the period of the lease

Plant and machinery

20% - 30% per annum

Computer equipment

33% per annum

Fixtures and fittings

20% - 33% per annum

Motor vehicles

25% per annum

FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments, other than investments in subsidiary undertakings, are stated at market value. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

Investments in subsidiary undertaking are stated at cost. Provisions are made for any permanent diminutions in value.

PENSIONS

The company contributes a defined amount to specified Personal Policies taken out by eligible employees. Contributions are charged to the accounts as incurred.

FOREIGN CURRENCY

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

VALUE ADDED TAX

Due to the nature of the College's outputs, value added tax on its inputs is not fully recoverable. Irrecoverable value added tax has been capitalised where it relates to items of a capital nature and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities when it is of a revenue nature.

OPERATING LEASES

Rental costs in respect of operating leases are charged to Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Regent's College PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

INCOMING RESOURCES

Fees receivable are accounted for in the period in which the service is provided.

Income from investments is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable. Rental income is accounted for on the accruals basis.

All other income is accounted for when it becomes receivable.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Resources expended are accounted for on the accruals basis. Certain expenditure is apportioned to cost categories in the Statement of Financial Activities based on the estimated amount attributable to that activity in the year. These estimates are based on staff time, space occupied or student numbers as appropriate.

Regent's College NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 August 2004

Donations and similar incoming resources	2004	2003
	£	£
Donations	615,000	400,000
The donations are received from Regent's College Conferen	ice Centre Ltd, a subsidiary of	f the college.
Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	2004	2003
	£	£
Tuition and registration fees	2,550,114	2,355,783
		750,016
		756,992
		128,919
<u>-</u>		60,708
	-	1,011,915
		1,098,675
		74,522
Bursaries, scholarships and discounts	(50,692)	(33,615)
	6,200,435	6,203,915
	£	£
Rental income	2.487.518	2,320,300
		1,048,660
Catering income	1,124,162	1,208,708
	4,809,539	4,577,668
		
Investment income	2004	2003
	£	£
Bank interest received	13,849	65,326
Other interest receivable	2,100	2,256
Dividend income	19,557	19,972
	The donations are received from Regent's College Conferent Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects Tuition and registration fees Meals Residences and laundry Car park Trips and excursions Central service charges Rental income Exchange (loss)/gain Bursaries, scholarships and discounts The incoming resources of the company during the year all 26 scholarships were granted to individuals in the year ender Activities for generating funds Rental income Central service charges Catering income Investment income Bank interest received Other interest receivedle	The donations are received from Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd, a subsidiary of Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects 2004 £ Tuition and registration fees 2,550,114 Meals Residences and laundry 771,129 Car park 128,429 Trips and excursions 63,853 Central service charges 1,036,396 Rental income 1,107,264 Exchange (loss)/gain (219,420) Bursaries, scholarships and discounts (50,692) 7 The incoming resources of the company during the year all arose in the same geographs 26 scholarships were granted to individuals in the year ended 31 August 2004 (2003 : 1) Activities for generating funds 2004 £ Rental income 2,487,518 Central service charges 1,197,859 Catering income 1,124,162 4,809,539 Investment income 2004 £ Bank interest received 13,849 Other interest receivedle

Regent's College NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2004

2	RESOURCES EXPENDED		
a	Cost of generating funds	2004	2003
		£	£
	Premises costs Central services Cost of meals Management costs	1,750,359 971,872 1,218,662 841,592	780,754
	Bad debts recovered Non-recoverable VAT	(106,638) 154,897	(10,180) 128,114
		4,830,744	4,609,849
b	Charitable expenditure	2004	2003
		£	£
	Costs of activities in furtherance of charity's objects		
	Car park	28,119	22,466
	Teaching staff costs	425,861	
	Academic costs	159,863	148,606
	Cost of meals	899,366	793,150
	Telephone	23,961	20,238
	Bad debts (recovered)/written off	(32,631)	20,177
	Non-recoverable VAT	310,820	256,729
	Premises costs	2,319,992	2,263,131
	Central services	1,909,399	1,741,674
		6,044,750	5,764,053
			
	Support costs		
	Legal and professional	107,823	•
	Premises costs	27,324	
	Management costs	624,448	699,565
		759,595	982,420
	Management and administration of the charity		
	Legal and professional	183,229	331,345
	Audit and accountancy	27,410	21,950
		210,639	353,295
			

3	NET OUTGOING RESOURCES	2004 £	2003 £
	Net outgoing resources are stated after charging: Operating lease rental – other Auditors' remuneration - Audit services - Other services	1,471,250 27,410 7,268	1,475,628 21,950 24,964
	Depreciation of tangible fixed assets	708,328	681,286
	Exchange losses/(gains)	219,420	(74,522)
	Loss on disposal of fixed asset investments	15,176	50,320
4	EMPLOYEES	2004	2003
	The average number of persons (excluding trustees) employed by the college during the year was:	No.	No.
	Maintenance	21	18
	Administration	91	86
	Academic	25	25
		137	129
			
		2004	2003
		£	£
	Staff costs for the above persons:		
	Wages and salaries	3,107,155	2,933,769
	Social security costs	290,413	269,032
	Other pension costs	77,248	166,116
		3,474,816	3,368,917
			
	The number of employees with emoluments of £50,000 or more during	2004	2003
	the year were:	No.	No.
	50,000 - 59,999	2	2
	60,000 - 69,999	1	-
	70,000 - 79,999	1	1
	90,000 - 99,999	-	1
	100,000 – 110,000	1	-
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Pension costs relating to 5 (2003: 4) employees earning more than £50,000 during the year were £24,115 (2003: £18,872).

5 TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION

No remuneration was paid to the trustees during the year

Five trustees were re-imbursed for travel and subsistence expenses for attending meetings during the year. The aggregate amount re-imbursed was £29,728 (2003: £15,612).

Regent's College NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the year ended 31 August 2004

6	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Short leasehold improvements £	Plant and machinery £	Computer equipment £	Fixtures And Fittings £	Motor Vehicles £	Total £
	Cost	*	*	L	*	~	2
	1 September 2003 Additions	4,823,909 414,343	641,791 60,211	1,861,444 127,072	1,510,477 87,181		8,883,217 688,807
	31 August 2004	5,238,252	702,002	1,988,516	1,597,658	45,596	9,572,024
	Depreciation						
	1 September 2003 Charged in the year	2,806,299 376,764	526,641 46,495	1,555,006 184,493	1,261,057 97,468		6,190,446 708,328
	31 August 2004	3,183,063	573,136	1,739,499	1,358,525	44,551	6,898,774
	Net book value 31 August 2004	2,055,189	128,866	249,017	239,133	1,045	2,673,250
	31 August 2003	2,017,610	115,150	306,438	249,420	4,153	2,692,771
7	INVESTMENTS Quoted investments	and anch dancei	40			2004 £	2003 £
	Investment in subsid					954,935 108	894,947 108
					_	955,043	895,055
	Subsidiary undertaki At cost 1 September		ıgust 2004			108	108
-	Market value at 1 Se	•					£ 894,947
	-	1,962 ; loss £15,1				((170,138)
	Add: Acquisitions at Net gains on revalua		st 2004				176,598 53,528
	Market value at 31 A	-					954,935
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7 INVESTMENTS (Continued)

	Quoted investments £	Cash deposits £	Total £
Investment assets in the UK	774,857	80,257	855,114
Investment assets outside the UK	99,821	-	99,821
31 August 2004	874,678	80,257	954,935
Market value:			
31 August 2004	874,678	80,257	954,935
31 August 2003	829,558	65,389	894,947
Historical cost of the above investments was:			
31 August 2004	1,015,318	80,257	1,095,575
31 August 2003	1,023,726	65,389	1,089,115

Cash deposits represent funds realised from sale of shares pending reinvestment.

Investments in individual entities held at 31 August 2004 which are over 5% of portfolio by value are:

Chariguard Fixed Interest Fund	£ 42,462
Chariguard UK Equity Fund	£ 287,554
Chariguard Overseas Equity Fund	£ 87,178
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Income Trust For Charities	£ 119,535
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Equity Income Trust For Charities	£ 87,164
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Growth Trust For Charities	£ 188,566
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Absolute Return Trust For Charity	£ 49,577

All investments are held indirectly through common investment funds.

The college holds more than 20% of the equity of the following companies at the balance sheet date:

Name of company	Class of holding	Proportion held	Nature of business
Regent's College Pension Trustee Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant
Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited	Ordinary	100%	Educational services
Webster Graduate Studies Centre Limited	Ordinary	100%	Non trading
Regent's College Conference Centre Limited	Ordinary	100%	Provision of Conference facilities
Regent's College Business School Limited	Ordinary	100%	Dormant

7 INVESTMENTS (Continued)

The profit or loss of each subsidiary and their aggregate share capital and reserves were as follows:

	Name of company	Result after tax 2004 £	Aggregate amount of its share capital and reserves 2004 £	After s	Aggregate amount of its share capital and reserves 2003 £
	Regent's College Pension Trustee Limited Regent's College School of Psychotherapy	-	100	-	100
	and Counselling Limited	102,827	(599,901)	170,182	(702,728)
	Webster Graduate Studies Centre Limited Regent's College Conference Centre	(170)	(4,284)	(1,019)	(4,114)
	Limited	3,282	564,468	201,755	561,186
	Regent's College Business School Limited	-	2	-	2
8	DEBTORS			2004	
				£	£
	Due within one year:				
	Trade debtors			242,498	
	Amounts due from subsidiary undertakings			983,123	
	Other debtors			787,383	
	Prepayments and accrued income			313,092	625,270
				2,326,096	2,770,962
					
9	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within o	ne year		2004	2003
				£	£
•	Trade creditors			467,956	652,183
	Amounts owed to subsidiary undertakings			1,311	
	Other taxation and social security costs			157,638	•
	Other creditors			199,266	•
	Accruals and deferred income			1,338,301	,
				2,164,472	2,816,042

All deferred income has been released in the following year.

10 GUARANTEE

The charitable company is limited by guarantee. In the event of a winding up order, members are obliged to contribute such sums as are necessary to ensure that the company is able to settle its liabilities subject to a maximum contribution of £1 per member.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2004

11 UNRESTRICTED FUNDS

General funds

Funds brought forward at 1 September 2003 Net movement in funds for the year 4,595,201 (146,896)

Funds carried forward at 31 August 2004

4,448,305

12 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

i) At 31 August 2004 the College was committed to making the following payments during the next year in respect of operating leases:

Land and buildings 2004 2003 £ £ 1,471,250 1,471,250

Date of lease termination: More than five years

Rockford College acts as guarantor for all liabilities arising from the lease for the land and buildings and has in return acquired a legal charge over certain assets of the College.

- ii) The College is included in a group registration for VAT purposes and is therefore jointly and severally liable for all other group companies' unpaid debts in this connection.
- During the year, the College, acting on legal advice and having sought the advice of the Charity Commissioners, set aside its management agreement with Mergeprime Limited, a company owned and controlled by the College's former President. The College has asserted claims for compensation from the former President and companies associated with her. Mergeprime has asserted a claim to a cancellation fee under the management agreement, which the College does not accept is due. The Trustees, together with their legal advisors, consider that the former President's counter-claims are groundless and they are resisting them. The potential maximum liability, if the former President's claims were to succeed is estimated to be £2.0m. In the light of the Trustees' view of the merits of these claims and the likelihood of their being successful, no provisions in respect of them have been made in these financial statements.
- iv) Regent's College continues to support its subsidiary company, Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited, in order that that company may continue to trade and meet its liabilities as they fall due.

13 PENSIONS

The company contributes a defined amount to specified Personal Policies taken out by eligible employees. Contributions are charged to the accounts as incurred. There were outstanding contributions amounting to £23,353 as at the balance sheet date (2003: £171,712). Pension costs during the year were £77,248 (2003: £166,116).

14 LOAN TO TRADING SUBSIDIARY

An interest free loan of £705,707 (2003: £812,345) has been made by the charity to Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited, secured on its assets and is repayable on demand. At 31 August 2004, a provision of £705,707 had been made against this loan (2003: £812,345).

15 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following related party transactions took place during the year:

Party	Relation- ship	Description of transaction	Value of Transaction £	Year end debtor/ (creditor) balance £
European Business School Educational Trust Limited	(ii)	Rent and service charges	2,143,660	101,306
		Legal and Professional fees paid on behalf	108,848	
College Management Services Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	367,837	495,432
Regents Business School Londor Limited	ı (i)	Rent and service charges	274,056	(11,694)
Webster Graduate Studies Centre London Limited	; (i)	Rent and service charges	61,745	(75,709)
Regents International Studies Centre London Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	49,139	(80,510)
Mergeprime Limited	(i)	Management charge	521,703	(43,475)

Relationship

- i) Mrs GM Payne was involved in the management of Regent's College and is the ultimate controlling party of each of these companies and is also a director of each company. The management charge consists of a fixed annual fee that increases in line with the retail price index and a variable fee based upon any operating surplus that occurs.
- ii) Mrs GM Payne was involved in the management of European Business School Educational Trust Limited, a registered charity. European Business School Educational Trust Limited and Regent's College share a common board of trustees.

REPORT AND CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 August 2004

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

The company's directors are its trustees and the governors are its members for the purposes of charity law and throughout this report are collectively referred to as the trustees and members respectively.

TRUSTEES

J Dorgan (Retired 26th February 2004) Y Makar (Retired 26th February 2004)

E de la Croix

G Colleary (Retired 26th February 2004)
G Gula (Retired 26th February 2004)
P Douglas (Appointed 11th November 2003)
B Cooney (Appointed 11th November 2003, Resigned 27th January 2004)
D Ellis (Appointed 24th March 2004)

The members of the Council of Management (the board of trustees) are appointed either by the members or by the trustees themselves, subject to ratification by the members at the AGM following their appointment. There are also provisions in the Memorandum and Articles of Association empowering members to remove trustees. One third of the trustees retire by rotation each year at the AGM and if they so wish offer themselves for reelection at the AGM.

ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Professor Michael Scriven

SECRETARY

Broadway Secretaries Limited

REGISTERED OFFICE AND PRINCIPAL ADDRESS

Inner Circle Regent's Park London NW14NS

AUDITORS

Grant Thornton UK LLP Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants Churchill House Chalvey Road East Slough Berkshire SL1 2LS

SOLICITORS

Bircham Dyson Bell 50 Broadway London SW1H 0BL

LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

BANKERS

Barclays Bank plc London Corporate Banking Group P O Box 544 54 Lombard Street London EC3V 9EX

INVESTMENT MANAGERS

Cazenove Fund Management Ltd 12 Moorgate London EC2R 6DA

Dresdner RCM Global Investors (UK) Ltd P O Box 191 10 Fenchurch Street London EC3M 3LB

INSURANCE BROKERS

Arbuthnot Insurance Brokers Thames Bridge House Henley Bridge Henley on Thames RG9 2LN

The trustees are pleased to present their report for the year ended 31 August 2004. This report is prepared in accordance with the recommendations of the Statement of Recommended Practice – Accounting and Reporting by Charities and complies with applicable law.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Regent's College is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity that was founded in 1984. It is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. New trustees are recruited by personal recommendation, advertising in the national press and through appropriate recruitment agencies. A formal training and induction process has been instituted.

The Council of Management (Board of Trustees) has complete responsibility for the stewardship of the Charity's assets, ensuring adherence to its charitable objectives and strategic decision making but delegates day-to-day operational responsibilities to the Chief Executive and senior management team.

CHARITABLE OBJECTS

The object of the charity, as set out in the Memorandum and Articles of Association, is the advancement of education in England for the public benefit of all.

ORGANISATION AND REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES AND ACHIEVEMENTS

The College operates under the names of British American College London which provides courses of study leading to Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees and (from January 2005) Webster Graduate School, which provides courses of study leading to Master of Arts and Master of Business Administration Degrees. The degrees are accredited by Webster University of St Louis Missouri, USA. The academic programmes are grounded in the Liberal Arts and Science tradition developed in the USA, focusing on intellectual and cultural depth. Students from around the world attend the College. Additionally the College hosts a study abroad programme for American undergraduates from universities and colleges affiliated to the British American College London. Student numbers continue to grow steadily.

The College pursues a policy of growth in student numbers and revenue to enable continuing investment in academic programmes and facilities development to provide the students with a secure and high quality learning environment.

The College has two trading subsidiaries: Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd and Regent's College School of Psychotherapy & Counselling Ltd.

Regent's College Conference Centre Ltd lets rooms on a day to day basis to a range of educational, charitable and commercial organisations. It also provides catering facilities to its clients. The business has grown steadily over the past few years and the staff seek ways to continue to improve the services provided.

The School of Psychotherapy and Counselling has an international reputation as one of the UK's leading therapeutic training institutions, delivering professional training and academic education in psychotherapy, counselling and counselling psychology, from foundation level to doctorate. Over the past four years, the School has expanded its activities into the area of alternative dispute resolution training, with particular success in programmes provided for members of the legal profession. A Counselling and Consultation Centre, operated by the School, provides low cost psychotherapy and counselling to students and staff on campus and to members of the public.

The School operates in a very competitive market place, and in past years has incurred losses. However, thanks to the tremendous efforts of its staff and directors, the School has reversed this trend and is achieving an annual surplus of revenue over cost. Regent's College continues to support the School and monitors its results on a regular basis.

During the year, the College terminated its relationship with the former President, Mrs G Payne, and commenced legal proceedings against a company owned and controlled by her. Full details are given in note 17 to these financial statements.

FINANCIAL RESULTS

The group net movement in funds for the year, which was arrived at after accounting for an unrealised gain on investments of £53,528 (2003: £30,113), came to a deficit of £147,595 (2003: £54,223) which was transferred from reserves. As at 31 August 2004 the reserves amounted to £5,114,289 (2003: £5,261,884). Scholarships of £50,692 (2002: £33,615) were awarded to students based on academic merit and financial need.

RESERVES

The trustees have established a policy whereby the ideal level of unrestricted funds, that is those funds not committed or invested in tangible fixed assets ('the free reserves'), should be the equivalent of 18 months of total resources expended, which equates to £17.8 million in respect of the company. This level of free reserves is required to ensure that sufficient funds are available for teach out costs in the event of significant changes to course arrangements or a material variation in future income.

All the reserves of the Charity are unrestricted funds. At 31 August 2004 they amounted to £4,448,305 (2003: £4,595,201) but only £1,775,055 (2003: £1,902,430) of this is freely available because the balance is invested in tangible fixed assets.

Our policy is therefore, to increase reserves to the required level by means of annual operating surpluses and judicious management of our investment assets. The trustees review this policy on a regular basis.

INVESTMENT POLICY AND RESULTS

The trustees' investment powers are governed by the Memorandum and Articles of Association. The trustees have appointed joint fund managers to invest funds in a range of Common Investment Funds (CIF's) with the aim of maximising capital growth with minimum risk. The majority of the investments are linked to the stock market and as the investments were made at the height of the market the values have declined significantly over the last four years. The trustees consider that the performance of its investment funds during the year was in line with other funds with a similar risk profile.

The performance of the funds is monitored on a regular basis. As at 31 August 2004 the value of the investments amounted to £954,935 (2003: £894,947) compared to an original investment of £1 million.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The trustees have identified the major risks to which the charity is exposed and have reviewed and established policies to mitigate those risks. These include the development of a business continuity plan, a detailed security review and the implementation of its recommendations, a Health and Safety review and ongoing measures in compliance with the Disability Discrimination Act. A policy is in place to improve the general control environment and a risk appraisal and monitoring methodology has been developed.

The marketing policies ensure that students are recruited from all parts of the world in order to maintain the charity's reputation as a truly international institution and reduce reliance on recruitment from a small geographical area.

TRUSTEES' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The trustees are required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and the incoming resources and application of resources, including the net income or expenditure, of the Charity for the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- d. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Charity and which enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Companies Act 1985. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

AUDITORS

Grant Thornton UK LLP were appointed auditors to the company on 10th January 2005 to fill a casual vacancy in accordance with S388(1) of the Companies Act 1985.

A resolution to reappoint Grant Thornton UK LLP as auditors will be put to the members at the annual general meeting.

This report was approved by the Board of Trustees on 25th May 2005.

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Trustee

25th May 2005

We have audited the financial statements of Regent's College for the year ended 31 August 2004 which comprise the consolidated statement of financial activities (incorporating a consolidated income and expenditure account), the balance sheets, the consolidated cash flow statement, the principal accounting policies and notes 1 to 20. These financial statements have been prepared under the accounting policies set out therein.

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body, in accordance with Section 235 of the Companies Act 1985. Our audit work has been undertaken so we might state to the company's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the company and the company's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

Respective responsibilities of trustees and auditors

The trustees are also the directors of Regent's College for the purposes of company law. Their responsibilities for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Law and accounting standards are set out in the statement of trustees' responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to audit the financial statements in accordance with relevant legal and regulatory requirements and United Kingdom Auditing Standards.

We report to you our opinion as to whether the financial statements give a true and fair view and are properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985. We also report to you if, in our opinion, the trustees' report is not consistent with the financial statements, if the charity has not kept proper accounting records, if we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit, or if information specified by law regarding trustees' remuneration and transactions with the charity is not disclosed.

We read other information contained in the trustees' report, and consider whether it is consistent with the audited financial statements. We consider the implications for our report if we become aware of any apparent misstatements or material inconsistencies with the financial statements. Our responsibilities do not extend to any other information.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with United Kingdom Auditing Standards issued by the Auditing Practices Board. An audit includes examination, on a test basis, of evidence relevant to the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. It also includes an assessment of the significant estimates and judgements made by the trustees in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity's circumstances, consistently applied and adequately disclosed.

We planned and performed our audit so as to obtain all the information and explanations which we considered necessary in order to provide us with sufficient evidence to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or other irregularity or error. In forming our opinion we also evaluated the overall adequacy of the presentation of information in the financial statements.

Opinion

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of the charity and the group as at 31 August 2004 and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including income and expenditure for the group for the year then ended, and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

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25 May 200

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES (INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)

for the year ended 31 August 2004

	Notes	2004	2003
		£	£
INCOMING RESOURCES Incoming resources from operating activities of the charity Activities in furtherance of the charity's objects Activities for generating funds – Trading subsidiaries	2 1	6,185,090 4,736,443	
- Other Investment income	3 4	2,753,024	2,665,453 113,118
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES		13,740,058	12,851,493
RESOURCES EXPENDED Cost of generating funds – Trading subsidiaries – Other	1 5		(1,259,391) (4,605,731)
Net incoming resources available for charitable application		6,794,080	6,986,371
Charitable expenditure Costs of activities in furtherance of charity's objects Support costs Management and administration of the charity	6 7 8		5,738,219 974,599 353,295
Total charitable expenditure		6,980,027	7,066,113
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED		13,926,005	12,931,235
NET OUTGOING RESOURCES	10	(185,947)	(79,742)
Gains and losses on revaluations and disposals of investment assets		38,352	25,519
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		(147,595)	(54,223)
Total funds brought forward at 1 September 2003		5,261,884	5,316,107
Total funds carried forward at 31 August 2004		5,114,289	5,261,884

All the above results are derived from continuing activities.

All funds are unrestricted funds.

The deficit for the year for Companies Act purposes comprises the net outgoing resources for the year plus realised losses on investments and was £201,123 (2003: £84,336).

Regent's College BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2004

	Notes	2004 £	Group 2003 £	2004 £	Charity 2003 £
FIXED ASSETS Tangible assets Investments	11 12	2,779,199 954,935	2,813,960 894,947	2,673,250 955,043	2,692,771 895,055
		3,734,134	3,708,907	3,628,293	3,587,826
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	13	2,078,617 1,789,614	2,210,909 2,219,436	2,326,096 658,388	2,770,962 1,052,455
		3,868,231	4,430,345	2,984,484	3,823,417
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	14	(2,488,076)	(2,877,368)	(2,164,472)	(2,816,042)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		1,380,155	1,552,977	820,012	1,007,375
NET ASSETS		5,114,289	5,261,884	4,448,305	4,595,201
UNRESTRICTED FUNDS General funds	16	5,114,289	5,261,884	4,448,305	4,595,201

Approved by the Board on 25th May 2005

Trustee

Regent's College GROUP CASH FLOW STATEMENT

for the year ended 31 August 2004

	2004	2004	2003	2003
	£	£	£	£
Reconciliation of net outgoing resources to net				
cash inflow from operating activities				
Net outgoing resources	(185,947)		(79,742)	
Bank and other interest received	(45,944)		(93,146)	
Dividends received	(19,557)		(19,972)	
Depreciation Loss on disposal of fixed assets	749,986	•	715,949 49,760	
Decrease/(increase) in debtors	132,292		(322,128)	
(Decrease)/increase in creditors	(389,292)		195,329	
Net cash inflow from operating activities	 	241,538		446,050
Returns on investments and servicing of finance				
Bank and other interest received	45,944		93,146	
Dividends received	19,557		19,972	
		65,501		113,118
Capital expenditure and financial investment				
Payments to acquire tangible fixed assets	(715,225)		(959,659)	
Proceeds from sale of tangible fixed assets	(156.500)		6,299	
Fixed asset investments acquired	(176,598)		(37,225)	
Proceeds from sale of fixed asset investments	154,962		15,000	
		(736,861)		(975,585)
DECREASE IN THE YEAR		(429,822)		(416,417)
RECONCILIATION OF NET CASH FLOW	ΓΟ ΜΟΥΕΜΕ	NT IN NE	r funds	
	0 1110 / E.		1 1 01(20	2004 £
Decrease in cash in the year				(429,822)
Net funds at 31 August 2003				2,219,436
Net funds at 31 August 2004				1,789,614
Tot funds at 31 Tragast 2001				=
			·	
		At		-
ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS	1 \$	September		At 31 August
ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS	1.5	September 2003	Cash flow	31 August 2004
		September 2003 £	£	31 August 2004 £
ANALYSIS OF NET FUNDS Cash in hand and at bank		September 2003		31 August 2004

Regent's College PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, except that listed fixed asset investments are carried at market value, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards. They have also been prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985 and the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (SORP) that was published in October 2000.

The group financial statements consolidate the financial statements of Regent's College and all its subsidiaries made up to 31 August 2004. No separate Statement of Financial Activities has been presented for Regent's College alone as permitted by section 230 of the Companies Act 1985 and paragraph 304 of the SORP.

The principal accounting policies of the charitable company have remained unchanged from the previous year and are set out below.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS AND DEPRECIATION

Tangible fixed assets costing more than £500 are capitalised and are stated at historic cost.

Depreciation is provided on all tangible fixed assets at rates calculated to write each asset down to its estimated residual value evenly over its expected useful life, as follows:-

Short leasehold improvements - over the period of the lease
Plant and machinery - 20% - 33% per annum
Computer equipment - 33% per annum
Fixtures and Fittings - 20% - 33% per annum
Motor vehicles - 25% per annum

FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS

Fixed asset investments, other than investments in subsidiary undertakings, are stated at market value. The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluations and disposals throughout the year.

PENSIONS

The company contributes a defined amount to specified Personal Policies taken out by eligible employees. Contributions are charged to the accounts as incurred.

FOREIGN CURRENCIES

Transactions denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rate of exchange ruling at the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies are translated at the rates of exchange ruling at the balance sheet date.

VALUE ADDED TAX

Due to the nature of the College's outputs, value added tax on its inputs is not fully recoverable. Irrecoverable value added tax has been capitalised where it relates to items of a capital nature and charged to the Statement of Financial Activities when it is of a revenue nature.

OPERATING LEASES

Rental costs in respect of operating leases are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities on a straight line basis over the lease term.

Regent's College PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTING POLICIES

INCOMING RESOURCES

Fees receivable are accounted for in the period in which the service is provided.

Income from investments is included in the Statement of Financial Activities in the year in which it is receivable. Rental income is accounted for on the accruals basis.

All other income is accounted for when it becomes receivable.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Resources expended are accounted for on the accruals basis. Certain expenditure is apportioned in the Statement of Financial Activities to cost categories based on the estimated amount attributable to that activity in the year. These estimates are based on staff time, space occupied or student numbers as appropriate.

1 NET INCOME FROM TRADING ACTIVITIES OF SUBSIDIARIES

The charity has three wholly owned trading subsidiaries and two dormant subsidiaries all of which are incorporated in the UK. Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited is involved in the provision of higher education. Regent's College Conference Centre Limited is involved in the provision of conference facilities. Webster Graduate Studies Centre Limited has ceased trading. Regent's College Pension Trustee Limited and Regent's College Business School Limited are both dormant. A summary of the trading results after adjustment for intra-group trading is shown below. Audited accounts of each company have been filed with the Registrar of Companies.

		Regent's College School of Psychotherapy & Counselling Limited £	Webster Graduate Studies Centre Limited £	Regent's College Conference Centre Limited £	Total 2004 £	Total 2003 £
	Turnover	1,337,865		3,398,578	4,736,443	3,883,425
	Administration costs	(857,463)	(175)	(1,174,690)	-	
	Operating profit/(loss)	480,402	(175)	2,223,888	2,704,115	2,624,579
	Interest receivable	7,324	5	22,666	29,995	25,564
	Taxation	545	-	-	545	(545)
	Net profit for the year	488,271	(170)	2,246,554	2,734,655	2,649,598
	Amounts covenanted to					
	Regent's College		r_	(615,000)	(615,000)	(400,000)
	Intra Group trading			` , ,	, , ,	
	eliminated above	(385,444)	-	(1,628,272)	(2,013,716)	(1,878,680)
	Dealt with by subsidiaries	102,827	(170)	3,282	105,939	370,918
						
2	ACTIVITIES IN FURTHER.	ANCE OF THE CH	ARITY'S O	BJECTS	2004 £	2003 £
	Tuition and registration fees				2,544,125	2,349,421
	Meals				813,362	750,016
	Residences and laundry				771,129	756,992
	Car park				119,073	120,863
	Trips and excursions				63,853	60,708
	Central services to other educ	ational bodies			1,036,396	1,011,915
	Rental income				1,107,264	1,098,675
	Exchange (loss)/gain				(219,420)	74,522
	Bursaries, scholarships and di	scounts			(50,692)	(33,615)
					6,185,090	6,189,497
						

The incoming resources of the charity during the year were all made in the same geographical area. 26 scholarships were granted to individuals in the year ended 31 August 2004 (2003: 19).

Regent's College NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2004

3	ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS – OTHER	2004 £	2003 £
	Rental income Central services Catering income	1,492,713 852,661 407,650	1,392,803 808,093 464,557
		2,753,024	2,665,453
4	INVESTMENT INCOME	2004 £	2003 £
	Bank interest receivable Other interest receivable Dividend income	43,844 2,100 19,557 65,501	90,890 2,256 19,972 113,118
5	COST OF GENERATING FUNDS - OTHER	2004 £	2003 £
	Premises costs Central services Cost of meals Management costs Non-recoverable VAT	1,742,214 963,176 1,218,662 835,246 154,897	772,087
		4,914,195	4,605,731
6	COSTS OF ACTIVITIES IN FURTHERANCE OF CHARITY'S OBJECTS	2004 £	2003 £
	Car park Teaching staff costs Academic costs Cost of meals Telephone Bad debts (recovered)/written off Non-recoverable VAT Premises costs Central services	28,119 425,861 150,685 899,366 23,961 (32,631) 310,820 2,319,981 1,892,741	22,466 497,882 138,065 793,150 20,238 20,177 256,729 2,263,028 1,726,484 5,738,219
7	SUPPORT COSTS	2004	2003
	Legal and professional Premises costs Management costs	£ 107,823 27,324 615,338 750,485	£ 257,752 25,101 691,746 974,599

Regent's College NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2004

8	MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE CHARITY	2004 £	2003 £
	Legal and professional Audit and accountancy	183,229 27,410	331,345 21,950
		210,639	353,295
9	EMPLOYEES	2004 No.	2003 No.
	The average number of persons (excluding trustees) employed	2.00	
	during the year was:	123	117
	Management and administration Academic	68	64
	Academic		04
		191	181
			
		2004	2003
		£	£
	Staff costs for the above persons:		
	Wages and salaries	3,862,579	3,624,234
	Social security costs	357,536	326,866
	Other pension costs	67,801	210,025
		4,287,916	4,161,125

No remuneration was paid to trustees in the year.

Five trustees were re-imbursed for travel and subsistence expenses for attending meetings during the year. The aggregate amount re-imbursed was £29,728 (2003: £15,612).

	2004 No.	2003 No.
The number of employees with emoluments of £50,000 or more during the year for Regent's College and its subsidiaries were:		
50,000 - 59,999	2	2
60,000 - 69,999	1	-
70,000 - 79,999	1	1
90,000 - 99,999		1
100,000 – 110,000	1	-
		4

Pension costs relating to 5 (2003: 4) employees earning more than £50,000 during the year were £24,115 (2003: £18,872).

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10	NET OUTGOING	RESOURCES				2004 £	2003 £
	Net outgoing resou Operating lease ren Depreciation own Exchange losses/(g Auditors' remunera Loss on disposal of	atal – other ned assets ains) ation - Audit ser - Other ser	vices vices			1,471,250 749,986 219,420 35,073 9,068 15,176	1,471,250 715,949 (74,522) 27,958 27,264 49,760
11	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Short leasehold improvements £	Computer equipment £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	GROUP						
	Cost 1 September 2003 Additions	4,854,420 414,343	1,960,511 128,827	641,791 60,211	1,704,366 111,844	45,596 -	9,206,684 715,225
	31 August 2004	5,268,763	2,089,338	702,002	1,816,210	45,596	9,921,909
	Depreciation 1 September 2003 Charged in year	2,833,395 377,764	1,637,217 191,623	526,641 46,495	1,354,028 130,996	41,443 3,108	6,392,724 749,986
	31 August 2004	3,211,159	1,828,840	573,136	1,485,024	44,551	7,142,710
	Net book value 31 August 2004	2,057,604	260,498	128,866	331,186	1,045	2,779,199
	31 August 2003	2,021,025	323,294	115,150	350,338	4,153	2,813,960

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11	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS (continued)	Short leasehold improvements £	Computer equipment £	Plant and machinery £	Fixtures and fittings £	Motor vehicles £	Total £
	CHARITY						
	Cost						
	1 September 2003	4,823,909	1,861,444	641,791	1,510,477	45,596	8,883,217
	Additions	414,343	127,072	60,211	87,181	-	688,807
	31 August 2004	5,238,252	1,988,516	702,002	1,597,658	45,596	9,572,024
	Depreciation						
	1 September 2003	2,806,299	1,555,006	526,641	1,261,057	41,443	6,190,446
	Charged in year	376,764	184,493	46,495	97,468	3,108	708,328
	21 Assessed 2004	2 192 062	1,739,499	572 126	1,358,525	44 551	6 900 774
	31 August 2004	3,183,063	1,739,499	573,136	1,338,323	44,551	6,898,774
	Net book value						
	31 August 2004	2,055,189	249,017	128,866	239,133	1,045	2,673,250
		-			 =		
	31 August 2003	2,017,610	306,438	115,150	249,420	4,153	2,692,771
4.0							
12	FIXED ASSET INV	VESTMENTS			Group		Charity
				2004	2003	2004	2003
				£	2003 , £	£	£
	Quoted investments	Quoted investments and cash deposits			894,947	954,935	894,947
	Subsidiary undertak		1.0	954,935 -	-	108	108
				954,935	894,947	955,043	895,055
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12 FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (continued)

FIXED ASSET INVESTMENTS (communed)			
GROUP AND CHARITY			£
Out 1' and and and and done-the			£
Quoted investments and cash deposits: Market value at 1 September 2003 Less: Disposals at opening book value			894,947
(proceeds £154,962; loss £15,176)			(170,138)
Add: Acquisitions at cost			176,598
Net gains on revaluation at 31 August 2004			53,528
Net gains on revaluation at 31 August 2004			33,326
Market value at 31 August 2004			954,935
•	Ou stad	Cash	
	Quoted		Total
	investments £	deposits £	10tai £
	L	£	£
Investment assets in the UK	774,857	80,257	855,114
Investment assets outside the UK	99,821	-	99,821
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31 August 2004	874,678	80,257	954,935
Market value:			
31 August 2004	874,678	80,257	954,935
			
31 August 2003	829,558	65,389	894,947
Historic cost of the above investments was:			
31 August 2004	1,015,318	80,257	1,095,575
			
31 August 2003	1,023,726	65,389	1,089,115

Cash deposits represent funds realised from sale of shares pending reinvestment.

Investments in individual entities held at 31 August 2004 which are over 5% of portfolio by value are:

Chariguard Fixed Interest Fund	£ 42,462
Chariguard UK Equity Fund	£ 287,554
Chariguard Overseas Equity Fund	£ 87,178
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Income Trust For Charities	£ 119,535
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Equity Income Trust For Charities	£ 87,164
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Growth Trust For Charities	£ 188,566
Cazenove Investment Fund Management Absolute Return Trust For Charity	£ 49,577

All investments are held indirectly through common investment funds.

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Subsidiary undertakings: At cost at 1 September 2003 and 31 August 2004 £

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The charity holds more than 20% of the equity of the following companies:

	Name of company	Class of holding	Proportion held	Nature	of business
	Regent's College Pension Trustee Limited	100 ordinary £1 shares	100%		Dormant
	Regent's College Business School Limited	2 ordinary £1 shares	100%		Dormant
	Regent's College Conference Centre Limited	2 ordinary £1 shares	100%		Provision of ace facilities
	Webster Graduate Studies Centre Limited	2 ordinary £1 shares	100%	Cea	ased trading
	Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited	2 ordinary £1 shares	100%		Provision of nal services
13	DEBTORS	2004	Group 2003	2004	Charity 2003
	<u> </u>	£	£	£	£
	Due within one year:				
	Trade debtors	536,445	518,253	242,498	294,416
	Amounts due from group undertakings	-	-	983,123	907,066
	Other debtors	1,127,739	970,634	787,383	944,210
	Prepayments and accrued income	414,433	722,022	313,092	625,270
		2,078,617	2,210,909	2,326,096	2,770,962
					
			Group		Charity
14	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due	2004	2003	2004	2003
	within one year	£	£	£	£
	Trade creditors	523,297	670,295	467,956	652,183
	Amounts owed to group undertakings	323,297	070,293	1,311	200,000
	Corporation tax	(545)	545	1,511	200,000
	Other taxation and social security costs	229,268	193,172	157,638	143,090
	Other creditors	224,219	384,107	199,266	356,684
	Accruals and deferred income	1,511,837	1,629,249	1,338,301	1,464,085
		2,488,076	2,877,368	2,164,472	2,816,042
					

All deferred income has been released in the following year.

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15 GUARANTEE

The charitable company is limited by guarantee. In the event of a winding up order, members are obliged to contribute such sums as are necessary to ensure that the company is able to settle its liabilities subject to a maximum contribution of £1 per member.

16	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	General funds £
	GROUP	
	Balance at 1 September 2003	5,261,884
	Net movement in funds for the year	(147,595)
	Balance at 31 August 2004	5,114,289
	CHARITY	
	Balance at 1 September 2003	4,595,201
	Net movement in funds for the year	(146,896)
	Balance at 31 August 2004	4,448,305

17 COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENT LIABILITIES

i) At 31 August 2004 the group had annual commitments under non-cancellable operating leases as follows:

	2004	2003
	£	£
Land and buildings		
expiring after five years	1,471,250	1,471,250

Rockford College acts as guarantor for all liabilities arising from the lease for the land and buildings and has in return acquired a legal charge over certain of the assets of the College.

- ii) The College is included in a group registration for VAT purposes and is therefore jointly and severally liable for all other group companies' unpaid debts in this connection.
- iii) During the year, the College, acting on legal advice and having sought the advice of the Charity Commissioners, set aside its management agreement with Mergeprime Limited, a company owned and controlled by the College's former President. The College has asserted claims for compensation from the former President and companies associated with her. Mergeprime has asserted a claim to a cancellation fee under the management agreement, which the College does not accept is due. The Trustees, together with their legal advisors, consider that the former President's counter-claims are groundless and they are resisting them. The potential maximum liability, if the former President's claims were to succeed is estimated to be £2.0m. In the light of the Trustees' view of the merits of these claims and the likelihood of their being successful, no provisions in respect of them have been made in these financial statements.
- iv) Regent's College continues to support its subsidiary company, Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited, in order that that company may continue to trade and meet its liabilities as they fall due.

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18 PENSIONS

The group contributes a defined amount to specified Personal Policies taken out by eligible employees. Contributions are charged to the accounts as incurred. There were outstanding contributions in relation to the group amounting to £31,376 as at the balance sheet date (2003: £156,605). Outstanding contributions in relation to the charitable company amounted to £23,353 as at the balance sheet date (2003: £171,712). Pension costs during the year were £67,801 (2003: £210,025).

19 LOAN TO TRADING SUBSIDIARY

An interest free loan of £705,707 (2003: £812,345) has been made by Regent's College to Regent's College School of Psychotherapy and Counselling Limited, secured on its assets and is repayable on demand. At 31 August 2004, a provision of £705,707 had been made against this loan (2003: £812,345).

20 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The following related party transactions took place during the year:

Party	Relation- ship	Description of transaction	Value of Transaction £	Year end debtor/ (creditor) balance £
European Business School Educational Trust Limited	(ii)	Rent and service charges	2,143,660	101,306
		Legal and Professional fees paid on behalf	108,848	
College Management Services Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	367,837	495,432
Regents Business School London Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	274,056	(11,694)
Webster Graduate Studies Centre London Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	61,745	(75,709)
Regents International Studies Centre London Limited	(i)	Rent and service charges	49,139	(80,510)
Mergeprime Limited	(i)	Management charge	521,703	(43,475)

Relationship

- i) Mrs GM Payne was involved in the management of Regent's College and is the ultimate controlling party of each of these companies and is also a director of each company.
 The management charge consists of a fixed annual fee that increases in line with the retail price index and a variable fee based upon any operating surplus that occurs.
- ii) Mrs GM Payne was involved in the management of European Business School Educational Trust Limited, a registered charity. European Business School Educational Trust Limited and Regent's College share a common board of trustees.