Regent's Business School London Limited (by Guarantee)

REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

31 August 2000



Regent's Business School London Limited DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

DIRECTORS

Mrs GM Payne M Maladwala RE Gregson Mrs K Van Miert M Van Miert

SECRETARY

W M Hughes

REGISTERED OFFICE

Inner Circle Regent's Park London NW1 4NS

AUDITORS

Baker Tilly Chartered Accountants 2 Bloomsbury Street London WC1B 3ST

DIRECTORS' REPORT

The directors submit their report and the financial statements of Regent's Business School London Limited for the year ended 31 August 2000.

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the company during the year was the provision of business degrees validated by the Open University.

REVIEW OF THE BUSINESS AND FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

The directors of the company are pleased to report that the Company has had another successful year of trading, with turnover increasing from £823,430 to £1,317,916. This was as a result of a further increase in students attending the school. The company made a profit before tax of £22,829 for the year compared to a profit of £29,529 in the previous year.

All the signs are that the number of students will again increase during the current year. The range of both undergraduate and post graduate degree courses on offer is gradually being developed and expanded.

The Directors would like to thank everybody involved with the company for their hard work during the year.

DIVIDENDS

Under the terms of the Company's Memorandum and Articles of Association the company is prohibited from paying a dividend.

DIRECTORS

The following directors have held office since 1 September 1999:

Mrs G M Payne

M Maladwala

RE Gregson

(appointed 30 March 2000)

Mrs K Van Miert

M Van Miert

Dr E Kerr

(resigned 21 March 2000)

AUDITORS

A resolution to reappoint Baker Tilly, Chartered Accountants, as auditors will be put to the members at the annual general meeting.

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By order of the board

M M Hughes Secretary

Regent's Business School London Limited DIRECTORS' RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Company law requires the directors to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company and of the profit or loss of the company for that period. In preparing those financial statements, the directors are required to:

- a. select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- b. make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- c. prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the company will continue in business.

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

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AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF REGENT'S BUSINESS SCHOOL LONDON LIMITED

We have audited the financial statements on pages 5 to 10 which have been prepared under the historical cost convention and accounting policies as set out on page 7.

Respective responsibilities of directors and auditors

As described on page 3 the company's directors are responsible for the preparation of financial statements. It is our responsibility to form an independent opinion, based on our audit, on those statements and to report our opinion to you.

Basis of opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with 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 directors in the preparation of the financial statements, and of whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the company'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 company's affairs at 31 August 2000 and of its profit for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

Registered Auditors Chartered Accountants 2 Bloomsbury Street London WC1B 3ST

Baker Tilly

10 May 2001

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

for the year ended 31 August 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
TURNOVER	1	1,317,916	823,430
Administrative costs		(1,305,652)	(806,345)
OPERATING PROFIT		12,264	17,085
Interest receivable and investment income	2	10,565	12,444
PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	3	22,829	29,529
Tax on profit on ordinary activities	4	(1,966)	(2,506)
PROFIT FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR	8	20,863	27,023

The operating profit for the year arises from the company's continuing operations.

No separate statement of Total Recognised Gains and Losses has been presented as all such gains and losses have been dealt with in the profit and loss account.

BALANCE SHEET

31 August 2000

	Notes	2000 £	1999 £
FIXED ASSETS	5	404	-
CURRENT ASSETS Debtors Cash at bank and in hand	6	463,600 206,875 670,475	376,626 93,063 469,689
CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year	7	(659,526)	(479,199)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		10,949	(9,510)
TOTAL ASSETS		11,353	(9,510)
RESERVES Profit and loss account	8	11,353	(9,510)

Approved by the board on 10 May 2001 / Mayne

Mrs G M Payne

Director

ACCOUNTING POLICIES

BASIS OF ACCOUNTING

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

DEFERRED TAXATION

Provision is made for taxation deferred or accelerated by the effect of timing differences, to the extent that it is probable that a liability will crystallise, at the rate expected to be ruling at that date.

DEPRECIATION

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:-

Furniture and equipment

3-5 years

TURNOVER

Turnover represents the invoiced value, net of Value Added Tax, of goods sold and services provided to customers.

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Regent's Business School London Limited NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 August 2000

TURNOVER AND PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION

The company's turnover and profit before taxation were all derived from its principal activity.

2	INTEREST RECEIVABLE AND SIMILAR INCOME	2000 £	1999 £
	Bank interest receivable Other income	9,832 733	12,176 268
		10,565	12,444
3	PROFIT ON ORDINARY ACTIVITIES BEFORE TAXATION	2000 £	1999 £
	Profit on ordinary activities before taxation is stated after charging: Depreciation Auditors' emoluments	4,699 1,200	1,100
4	TAXATION	2000 £	1999 £
	Corporation tax at 20% (1999: 21%)	1,966	2,506
5	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS		Furniture & equipment £
	Cost 1 September 1999 Additions		5,103
	31 August 2000		5,103
	Depreciation 1 September 1999 Charge for the year		4,699
	31 August 2000		4,699
	Net book value 31 August 2000		404
	31 August 1999		-

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	DEDTORG	2000	1999
6	DEBTORS	£	£
	Trade debtors	51,828	54,324
	Amount owed by parent company	-	3,227
	Other debtors	355,000	303,779
	Prepayments and accrued income	56,772	15,296
		463,600	376,626
			
		2000	1999
		£	£
7	CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year		
	Other creditors	11,297	9,306
	Accruals and deferred income	477,834	467,387
	Corporation tax	1,966	2,506
	Amounts owed to group companies	168,429	-
		659,526	479,199
		2000	1999
8	PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT	£	£
	As at 1 September 1999	(9,510)	(36,533)
	Profit for the financial year	20,863	27,023
	As at 31 August 2000	11,353	(9,510)

Regent's Business School London Limited is limited by guarantee and accordingly does not have share capital. The guaranter undertakes to contribute to the assets of the company in the event of the company being wound up, a sum not exceeding one pound for payment of the debts and liabilities of the college.

9 PARENT COMPANY AND ULTIMATE PARENT COMPANY

The company's parent company is College Management Services Limited which is the only member of Regent's Business School London Ltd.

The company's ultimate controlling party is Mrs G M Payne who is also a director of the company.

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10 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The company has taken advantage of the FRS8 exemption that transactions with other 90% owned companies of the parent company do not need to be disclosed.

Party Description of Value of Year end transaction Transaction balance

Regent's College Ltd Recharge of rent and service charges

Regent's College is a registered charity and a company limited by guarantee of which Mrs Payne is a guarantor.

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