

Treasurer's Report 2023

The financial accounts for the period ending 31st December 2023 have been audited by Robertson Thorne Accountants & Business Advisors. The Income statement shows a net surplus of \$20,265 for 2023. The most significant expense incurred by the Kindergarten was the Employment Expenses and entitlements in 2023.

Full Year Actual	Actual	Budget	Var	% vs. Budget
Income Statement				
Fees	629,129	596,750	32,379	↑ 5%
TOTAL INCOME	1,225,881	1,161,844	64,037	↑ 6%
TOTAL EXPENSES	(1,190,410)	(1,153,680)	(36,730)	↓ 3%
OPERATING PROFIT	35,471	8,164	27,307	↑ 334%
<i>Other Income/Expenses</i>	(5,942)	1,100	(7,042)	↓ -640%
NET PROFIT/LOSS	29,529	9,264	20,265	↑ 219%

- **Total 2023 Income was favourable by \$64K- 5% above budget** mainly driven by:
 - \$32k higher fees received
 - \$15k DIP Funding & Excursion fees received (offset with the expenses)
 - \$16k Others (Term Deposit income, government grants, donation and sundry)
- **Total 2023 Expenses was unfavourable by \$36K - 3% above budget** mainly driven by higher wages, partially offset by savings in other expenses:
 - \$25k higher Wages & DIP Wages
 - \$8k purchase new equipment (iPads/mobile phones/enrolment equipment) & IT costs
 - \$3k depreciation
- **Net profit for 2023 was favourable by \$20K - 219% above budget** contributed by higher fees received, partially offset by higher employee's expenses, new equipment investment and building renovations.
- The Kindergarten is in a strong Financial position with cash & cash equivalent are sufficient to meet its due debts with a high margin of safety.

Funding and Grants

The Kindergarten receives income in the form of funding and grants from the Department of Education. We have received Start Strong funding, Fee Relief funding and Disability Inclusion Program (DIP) funding.

Kindergarten fees

As all kindergartens were impacted by the same agreement made by the Department of Education, we are confident that our new fee structure is still very competitive within the market.

Treasurer Notes

The 2024 budget has been accepted by the Committee and the fees will be increased to \$70 per day for 4 years old children (FY 23: \$65) and \$45 for low-income card holders' children (FY 23: \$40). The main reason for increasing fees is to cover the additional operational cost associated with increasing in Salaries and Wages and the associated compensation for all staffs and the substantial increase in rent from The Hills Shire Council.

I have learnt a lot during my time being the treasurer and it has been very interesting to see how the Kindergarten works and how we could all contribute to its operating smoothly.

I would like to say big thankyou to Allison McCartney and the whole kindergarten staffs for providing an outstanding service to the community.

It was my absolute pleasure working with each committee member as they all did a wonderful job and supported each other. I wish all the committee members all the best in the year ahead.

Thank you,



Lan Huynh