

2007/08 Annual Report

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Board of Directors

President

James Thom, MBA FAIM AICD

James joined the Board of Senses in 2003 and has played an active role in the organisation, serving on several committees and participating in the development and updating of the strategic plan. He has been President since October 2006. James is a senior executive within the State public service with around 40 years experience in public policy in Commonwealth and State agencies, and the private sector. He was the Department of the Premier and Cabinet's representative on the working party that reviewed the Disability Services Act in 2002-03. James has particular interests in the policy and financial relationships between governments and contracted non-government agencies, and in governance and the improvement of board performance in the not-for-profit sector in WA.

Vice President

Rick Matich, AMP (UWA) AIBF (Fin)

During 34 years service with Westpac Banking Corporation, Rick Matich served in a number of senior management and executive positions in Western Australia and New South Wales. Rick is a Director of Matich Marine and a business and financial services consultant. Rick Matich joined the Senses Foundation Board in 2001.

Craig Billings

Craig Billings is the General Manager Marketforce Retail. Craig is highly regarded as one of the industry's leading strategic retail thinkers, and is renowned for his hands on approach in developing innovative communication strategies and value added initiatives for the Agency's clients. Craig Billings joined the Senses Foundation Board in 2005.

Board of Directors

Anne Bourke

Anne's substantive position is the Executive Director, Nursing and Patient Support Services, Child and Adolescent Health Services (CAHS) which includes Princess Margaret Hospital for Children and Child and Adolescent Community Health. She currently is the A/Executive Director CAHS. Anne is a Registered Nurse, Registered Midwife, NNT, has a BSc (Nursing), Master of Clinical Nursing, a Post Graduate Diploma in Health Services Management, and is currently a Doctoral Candidate. Anne has worked in the Health Sector in WA for more than thirty years, and has held senior management positions for the past twelve years. Anne has a particular interest in governance, and customer involvement in policy. Anne Bourke was appointed to the Board of Senses Foundation in June 2006.

Bill Cutler

Bill Cutler joined the Senses Foundation Board in January 2005. Bill has a working background of 42 years in banking, including offshore postings in Fiji, Hong Kong, Singapore and London. Bill has held the positions of Deputy Chief Manager London, and Head of Banking Operations Perth.

John Groppoli, B.Juris, LLB, FAICD

After serving as partner since 1987, John Groppoli now acts as a Consultant with Deacons and is Managing Director of Milner's Pty Ltd. Recognised for his expertise in franchising, John also has significant experience in corporate governance, transactional structuring, documentation and negotiation skills. John Groppoli joined the Board in 2005.

Board of Directors

Sue Rowell

Sue Rowell was originally qualified in Social Work and for the ten years before her retirement, was the Director of Allied Health across Princess Margaret Hospital and King Edward Memorial Hospitals. Sue continues to be active professionally in Social Work, Allied Health and community organisations. She is a member of the Mount Lawley Rotary Club and is the District Governor of Rotary International District 9450 for 2008 – 2009. Sue joined the Board in 2007.

Deidre Willmott, BJuris, LLB W.Aust., LLM Melb.

Deidre Willmott is a lawyer and is Chief of Staff to Premier Colin Barnett, having also served in that role in the government of Richard Court. She is Deputy Chair of the Council of St Hilda's Anglican School for Girls and worked as a General Manager for the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games. Deidre Willmott joined the Board in 2008.

David Halge MBA

David Halge has over 30 years in public sector management, the last 18 of which were in a senior level in the regulation of the gaming industry, until his resignation in December 2006. David's most recent position was Director of Operations within the Department of Racing, Gaming and Liquor. Within that position, David Halge was responsible for the overall management of the Operations Division, which has primary responsibility for the provision of inspection, investigation, licensing and audit/risk assessment functions. He had direct involvement with many not for profit organisations. David Halge joined the Board in 2007.



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President's Report

Recently the Board of Management and Senses senior staff sat down together in a “retreat” environment to discuss the state of the organisation and to plan for its future.

It is a heartening feature of Senses that we do this: Board and staff team working together to tackle the great questions, the wicked problems and the ideas for the way forward. Those responsible for governance working with those accountable for management, deliberating in a shared environment of trust consistent with our great organisation's values so as to achieve a consensus on the next iteration of our strategic plan.

Senses strategic re-positioning as a 21st century knowledge-based organisation has continued apace this year. In my last annual report I reported on the shift from Maylands to a modest suite of offices in Burswood. Over this past year, the focus of the Board has been to leverage the advantages

of the more cost-effective accommodation and improved financial situation to foster improvements to the quality and range of services that Senses provides to clients and their families. In support of this, a good deal of work has been done to review and revise organisational policies and practices, business processes, and the commercial and fundraising operations.

The tangible improvements to services are reported elsewhere in this Annual Report and I take this opportunity to convey the Board's appreciation to our valued staff in all parts of the Senses organisation, as all have played a part in this year's achievements. Feedback from clients, families and other stakeholders has been very positive and encouraging.

Fostering a continuous improvement culture applies not only to the organisation's service delivery but also to the effectiveness with which the Board functions. Following the release of the report of the Government's Disability Sector Health Check, the Board has turned its attention to ensuring that our governance practices are of

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the highest possible standard. We engaged an external consultant to conduct a wide-ranging review across the organisation and I am pleased to say that the review found Senses to be in pretty good shape. But there is always room for improvement and we are using the review recommendations to pursue refinements in many areas of Board governance.

The value of engaging external consultant expertise is that we have been able to objectively evaluate the way we govern as a Board, the clarity of roles and relationships between board and management, and Senses' comprehensive internal policy frameworks, especially in the context of our approach to the management of risk.

The Board is acutely conscious of its fiduciary obligation to exercise careful conservative stewardship over the funds and assets of the Senses Foundation.

It has been a turbulent year on international financial markets with investments held by many non-government institutions, local governments and others here in Australia affected. Senses Foundation has not been immune to this, but the Board took prompt and decisive steps to minimise the impact on our investments. It is apparent that we have suffered some loss as have so many others, but the extent cannot yet be objectively measured and we are hopeful that

the intervention of central banks in the US, UK and Australia will see a recovery of investment confidence in the short to medium term. Overall however, Senses is in a relatively strong financial position as the annual financial statements show. I have greatly appreciated the wise counsel of my fellow Board members during the year. We are a diverse group; and that is as it should be.

We welcomed new Board members David Halge and Deidre Willmott, both of whom have particular skill sets that I am confident will greatly enhance the Board's capacity to govern the organisation. I would especially like to thank Vice President Rick Matich for his diligent and forensic work over many years as chair of the Corporate Committee. Along with fellow Committee member Bill Cutler and our Auditors, Mack and Co, he has overseen prudent management of our accounts and corporate governance.

My gratitude also, to our corporate and private benefactors and our team of volunteers who give so generously to help us provide a better way of life for our clients.

On behalf of the Board of Management, may I acknowledge the strength and quality of leadership through difficult and changing times of our Chief Executive Officer, Debbie Karasinski. Debbie has continued to justify the Board's confidence in her and to attract the

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respect of peers across the Disability Sector. I also pay tribute to the excellent work of our energetic and dedicated team of Senses people right across the organisation. Attracting and providing adequate remuneration for our staff is a significant issue, not only for Senses, but across the entire disability sector, and it is a matter about which the sector has been vigorously lobbying governments. We continue to pressure for improved consideration of staffing costs in government contracts.

As I said at the beginning of my report, Senses Foundation is planning for the future. Last year we commissioned a population analysis with the assistance of a highly credentialed research organisation to determine how much demand there might be for our services. The report, which we have titled "Unseen and Unheard" has shown us all just how much there is still to do in terms of the numbers of people in the WA community in our target group who need our services. And so we continue pursuit of our collective vision of Senses Foundation as a well governed, highly regarded, quality service provider.

James Thom
PRESIDENT



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Chief Executive Officer's Report

Hosting the 14th Deafblind International World Conference was the single biggest endeavour which Senses Foundation has undertaken in many years.

Hosting any conference requires a huge amount of effort. However an international conference adds a degree of difficulty which you are not aware of until you are well and truly in the midst of planning and organising! So you may ask, did it meet our expectations?

Senses Foundation bid for the conference in 2003 with a view to bringing the deafblind world to Western Australia. We wanted people who are deafblind and their families in Western Australia, to have easy access to people of world acclaim in this specialist area. We also wanted our staff to have the opportunity to discuss their areas of expertise with experts from around the world and to be moved, inspired and affirmed.

Watching and listening to our clients and their families and our staff and reading the conference feedback, we certainly achieved our objective!

Almost one year since the conference, the

buzz of enthusiasm and dedication still exists throughout Senses Foundation.

Our move from Maylands to Burswood was also a huge psychological and physical upheaval and, although it was undertaken just prior to the beginning of the financial year, its impact has been felt during this year.

We had a number of objectives in selling the Maylands property and moving to Burswood.

To sell an asset which was not productive; to generate income from our administration building; to improve communications between all parts of the organisation and increase cohesion; and to develop an office environment which encouraged effective and efficient management.

In the second year in our "new home", we are working well. We are one organisation with a shared working environment and a shared vision.

We have achieved our objectives.

A successful year

As we move into the last year of the 2004 - 2009 Strategic Plan, I thought it might be interesting to make some comparisons between 2004 and 2008 and I am delighted to be able to tell you

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that we have come a long way.

Our government funding has increased from \$1,753,000 in 2004 to \$2,633,000 in 2008.

Our employment has remained steady at 52 full time equivalents (106 people) however our deployment of staff has changed with 58% of the workforce employed in client services in 2004 compared to 75% of the workforce being employed in client services in 2008.

The most important comparison relates to client services. In 2004, we provided just over 35,000 hours of service to clients. In this financial year, we provided over 69,000 hours of client service, an increase of 97% in four years.

Looking Forward

With the identification of almost 38,000 people either deafblind or vision impaired with additional disabilities in Western Australia, the challenges for Senses Foundation in the next year are considerable.

I look forward with enthusiasm to addressing the

priorities and challenges of the year ahead.

- To further develop our services and make them available equitably on the basis of need throughout Western Australia.
- To market and promote the work of Senses Foundation being mindful to ensure our funding is used primarily for client services.
- To identify additional sustainable funding for our operations.
- To meet the challenge of increased scrutiny in the areas of corporate and clinical governance.

In closing, I thank the President, the Board, the Senior Managers and the staff for their personal support and ongoing commitment to Senses Foundation.

Debbie Karasinski

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Client Services – in summary

During 2007/2008, 69,062 hours of service were provided to 111 clients. An increase of 7,649 hours on 2006/2007.

- 16 new referrals were received. An increase from 13 referrals in 2006/2007 and 3 referrals in 2005/2006.
- 47 people received 44,337 hours of service through accommodation services.
- 48 people received 20,574 hours of service through community services.
- 80 people received 3,658 hours of service through specialist services.

Service Improvement

During the year, external, independent monitoring was carried out on the following services in accordance with the Funding Contract with the Disability Services Commission.

- Accommodation Services
- Intensive Family Support and
- Alternatives to Employment.

In all cases, Senses Foundation was found to be providing its services in accordance with the Disability Service Standards.



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Expansion of Services

Two areas of expansion were identified for client services. One was to have a greater presence in rural and remote Western Australia and the other, to begin to identify the needs of older people within the West Australian community. Significant progress was made in both these areas.

Resources Developed

- Circles of Support book - A useful publication for organisations, individuals and families considering person centred approaches.
- Aged Care Resource Manual - Information about the ageing process and healthy ageing and tools on screening and assessment.
- DVD on Inclusive Recreation - Getting Out There - An educational DVD on community inclusion.
- Active Ageing book - Providing practical ideas for people living and working with older people who have sight and hearing difficulties.
- Access to Education Poster - Practical ideas for including people who are deafblind in educational environments.
- DVD on Acquired Deafblindness Seminar by Ole Mortensen - A useful training tool for staff, clients and families.

Accommodation Services

Forty seven clients received 44,337 hours of service through Accommodation Services in the 2007/2008 financial year. An increase of 6,927 hours on the previous financial year.

Significant restructure continued to ensure sustainability and cost effectiveness within the service. External Monitoring has shown that the quality of the service has been maintained throughout this process and the increase in the hours of service show the quantum of service has not been compromised. The reforms undertaken by Senses Foundation were acknowledged by the Disability Services Commission in May 2008 and additional recurrent funding was approved.

Senses Foundation continues to negotiate with the Department of Housing and Works for client accommodation which ensures permanence and protection from rising rents in the open market. During the year, Senses successfully negotiated one such house which should be built before the end of the next financial year. Two clients have been approved under the Commonwealth Disability Housing Program and Senses Foundation is working with the Department to identify housing in close proximity to the work place of these clients.

The concept of a 'cluster housing complex' remains on the drawing board. The suitability of this for the current client population needs further planning and at this stage remains only a concept.

Outcomes for clients

- The transition some time back, from Maycrest into independent living by a number of clients continues to be a catalyst for change. Today they find themselves satisfactorily living by themselves in the suburbs with minimal assistance from the Accommodation Services. This is a remarkable achievement for these people, demonstrating how they have been able to regain their confidence and attain significant levels of independence.
- One client has become engaged and moved with his fiancé into independent accommodation.
- One client has moved to the country to work and live with his brothers.
- One client has left a group home to live by herself.
- One client is moving into a purpose built house and enjoying a Gold Medal awarded for first place in a 'Surfing for the Disabled' competition.

Community Services

Forty eight clients received 20,574 hours of service through Community Services, an increase of 1,120 hours on the previous financial year. This was provided in the following programs

- Disability Aged Care - 6,830 hours of service provided to 16 clients. (3 clients left the program during the year)
- Respite Services and Intensive Family Support – 7,365 hours of service provided to 29 families (4,298 hours of service more than in the previous year, to 12 more families)
- Alternatives to Employment and Post School Options - 6,143 hours of service to 15 clients (3,143 hours of service more than in the previous year)
- Recreation - 236 hours of service to 7 clients

Outcomes for clients

In the past year Community Services have provided more effective support and more options to clients.

- **EFFECTIVE Support** - A family, new to Australia, is receiving a culturally sensitive respite service with the care plan and other information provided in their first language, enabling the family to feel comfortable and supported.
- **The RIGHT Support** - The care plan for a client has acknowledged the need for the family to have support at the time which is right for them – during the week, at weekends and on school holidays.
- **The RIGHT Support** - During a service review, a family member proclaimed that the "alternatives to work" service provided, was the best her son had ever received!
- **MORE OPTIONS** - The Alternatives to Employment/Post School Options Service has included sailing; horse riding; belly dancing; visiting a radio station; visiting rural WA; ceramics; adult education; and bush walking.
- **MORE OPTIONS** - A new initiative enabled clients to participate in Sailability; a three day camp and a caving weekend in Margaret River.

Specialist Services

Eighty clients received 3,663 hours of service through the specialist services.

This represents a reduction in clients and hours of service delivery from the previous year, due entirely to the difficulty in recruiting staff in the areas of physiotherapy (position vacant for six months) and specialist communication (position vacant for eight months).

Specialist services were provided in the following programs:

- Early Childhood Services – 924 hours of service to 13 clients
- Adult Therapy Service – 334 hours of service to 52 clients
- Specialist Communication – 2,297 hours of service to 40 clients
- Professional support – 104 hours of service to 12 clients

Outcomes for clients

- **“SibShop”** - A series of workshops for the brothers and sisters of clients was run to enable siblings to meet other siblings in a recreational setting and to discuss common joys and concerns and have fun.
- The **‘Parents Respite Weekend’**, hailed as a great success by parents, aimed to provide parents with a valuable break from their caring role in an environment that encouraged relaxation, fun, education and sharing with other parents. A workshop was run during the weekend on ‘Family Grief and Loss’.
- An **Ushers Support Group** was initiated, providing education, support and counselling to adults with Usher Syndrome. Participants have been able to discuss individual and group issues, provide information, and participate in recreation activities.
- A number of **pre school and school children** who are deafblind continue to be assisted in their place of learning, in language and communication development, as well as socialisation skills with support from Senses Foundation staff.

14th Deafblind International World Conference

Senses Foundation hosted the 14th Deafblind International World Conference from the 25th – 30th September 2007.

It was a very successful conference with 381 people from 37 countries attending and a further 43 people attending the pre conference workshop on Usher Syndrome.

Participants reported high levels of satisfaction with the Scientific Program, the Social Program and the other conference related activities.

In the concurrent sessions which followed the key note presentations each day, over two hundred presentations were made over the four days of the Scientific Program.

The conference cost \$775,082 to stage, spread over the three financial years from 2005 to 2008. Senses Foundation met \$259,646 of the costs from its own resources. This was \$47,557 less than Senses Foundation had budgeted. \$223,850 was generated in funding and sponsorship.

Senses Foundation sincerely thanks the businesses, organisations and Government Departments who supported the conference as follows:

Major Sponsor

The West Australian State Government

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Disability Services Commission

Conference Sponsors

Cochlear

Linneys

Humanware

Nabs

The Association for the Blind

The Commonwealth Departments of AusAID and Family and Children's Services and Indigenous Affairs

Senses Foundation gratefully acknowledges the 100 people who worked as conference volunteers including Senses Foundation staff and Notre Dame University students.



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Senses Foundation hosts Deafblind International Secretariat

Senses Foundation has been successful in its bid to manage the Deafblind International (DbI) Secretariat for four years from August 2008.

Deafblind International is the world association promoting services for people who are deafblind, through international collaboration. Its purposes are:

- to promote and improve the recognition and awareness of deafblindness as a unique congenital or acquired disability that affects children, adults and elderly people
- to support the civil rights of people who are deafblind and the equalisation of opportunities in all aspects of life
- to encourage the development of networks and opportunities for association and learning for professionals and to the benefit of people who are deafblind and their families
- to enable interaction between people who are deafblind, families, professionals, organisations in the field and the wider community
- to promote and improve education and opportunities for development for people who are deafblind
- to encourage support and services for people who are deafblind that lead to self-determination and quality of life, and
- to promote and improve quality in services for people who are deafblind by encouraging research, staff development and training, policies that lead to good practice and the dissemination of information.

The advantages to Senses Foundation of having a continuing involvement in the international community of deafblindness are considerable, and being the “hub” around which the international community revolves allows Senses Foundation to know what was going on, participate where appropriate and communicate with all – thus continuing what Senses Foundation’s involvement in the 14th Deafblind International World Conference started!

Deafblind Awareness Week 2008

Deafblind Awareness Week is held internationally each year to correspond with Helen Keller's birthday on the 28th June.

For Deafblind Awareness Week 2008 Senses Foundation chose a dual focus:

- those people who become deafblind as they age
- those people who are even more isolated in their deafblind world because they live in rural and remote Western Australia

A symposium on age related deafblindness was held with over 100 age care service providers attending. Senses Foundation brought Ole Mortensen to Perth from Denmark to present as the key note speaker. His key points included:

- that age related deafblindness affects 6,400 people in Western Australia
- that 50% of these people have a severe or profound level of disability
- that age related deafblindness is NOT a normal part of ageing and should not be dismissed as such
- that there is much which can be done by organisations like Senses Foundation, to prevent the morbidity and mortality and the lack of social interaction and independence, which is associated with deafblindness in the over 60s.

Deafblindness in rural and remote Western Australia was the focus for a sensory sculpture exhibition in Central Park. This spectacular display aimed at raising awareness "On The Terrace" and giving companies, who have their focus on rural and remote Western Australia, the opportunity to partner with Senses Foundation in ending the isolation for people in their region who are deafblind.



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Commercial Services – in summary

Marketing Senses Foundation to the community remained a high priority. Television and newspaper advertisements and features continued throughout the year, with donated air time and newspaper space valued at over \$100,000.

- Direct Mail Campaigns exceeded budget for the third year in a row.
- Senses Foundation made a large visual splash in Central Park during Deafblind Awareness Week.
- A review and restructure of the Commercial Division saw the introduction of new positions to deal with the preparation of grants, events coordination and corporate sponsorship.
- The AHG Golf Day generated record fundraising income.
- The Bayswater Bingo reluctantly closed its doors.



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Senses Foundation AHG Golf Day

Senses Foundation's premier fundraising event, the Senses Foundation AHG Golf Day, was held this year at the Royal Perth Golf Club and was a resounding success.

In its fourteenth year, the event generated \$140,000 for Senses Foundation breaking the 2006/2007 record by \$4,000!

Senses Foundation gratefully acknowledges the work of the planning committee

Trevor Gosatti, Chair, Bob Branchi, Erwin Roberts, Stuart Baldock, Robyn Capper, Michelle Peters and David Stevens.

The winners and place getters on the day were

- 1st** – Roberts Day Team Tim Trefry, Mark Hector, Terry Prindiville, Kevin Prindiville
- 2nd** – Cossill & Webley & Whelans Survey & Mapping Group Composite Team
Roland Staniforth, Neil Farnsworth, Tony Naughtin, Bruce Young
- 3rd** – AHG Team
Bob Branchi, Ivan Hoffman, Dave Brumby, David Kiggins



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Senses Foundation wishes to thank the following companies and individuals for the success of the day.

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Senses Foundation AHG Golf Day

The Olive Tree Garden Restaurant

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The Laminex Group

The West Australian

Whelans Survey & Mapping Group
Pty Ltd

The Australian Steel Institute Golf Day

The fourth ASI Golf day in support of Senses Foundation was run in November 2007 at “the Vines”.

It was a very successful event, enjoyed by all and resulting in a donation to Senses Foundation of \$22,465.



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Bayswater Bingo

The long-running and highly successful Bayswater Bingo ceased operating in April 2008, a victim of rising costs and declining participation in the face of increased competition for the leisure dollar.

Bayswater Bingo had been a West Australian icon for more than 25 years and its legion of faithful, fun-loving patrons had helped to raise millions of dollars for the work undertaken by Senses Foundation.

However the cost of running Bayswater Bingo had been steadily increasing despite the best endeavours of all concerned, including management, staff and suppliers.

Senses Foundation wishes to pay tribute to the staff and suppliers who had helped to keep Bayswater Bingo running even as costs threatened to overtake income, and to Bingo Manager, Glynn Smart and Assistant Manager, Ian Wilton for their dedication to Bingo for over 25 years.

Senses Foundation also wishes to thank all its patrons and supporters for their wonderful loyalty and support over many, many years.

Thanks to our valued supporters

Senses Foundation gratefully acknowledges the following businesses and organisations for their continued support of both Senses Foundation and individual clients.

Deacons

As Senses Foundation lawyers, and through their pro bono arrangements, Deacons have contributed significantly to the work of Senses Foundation throughout the year.

Marketforce

Senses Foundation gratefully acknowledges the contribution of Marketforce to raising the Senses Foundation profile throughout the year.

The Western Australian Government

has provided support through the following Departments:

- Disability Services Commission.
- Department of Housing and Works.
- Department of Education and Training.
- Department of Education and Training (NGCS).
- Department of Sport and Recreation.
- Department of Local Government and Regional Development.

Special acknowledgement is made of the \$100,000 grant from the Western Australian State Government to assist Senses Foundation to host the 14th Deafblind International World Conference.

Lotterywest for individual grants to clients, for its contribution of \$50,000 towards the 14th Deafblind International World Conference, and, through the **Gordon Reid Foundation**, for its contribution to recreation for clients.

Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing for its ongoing contribution to clients who are ageing.

Carers WA for support of the Family Leadership Project - strengthening linkages and connections between parents, and for funding parent retreats.

Telethon for support to conduct three outings for children with disabilities and their families.

Television stations in Western Australia for continuing to air the Senses Foundation community announcement.

Bequests And Trusts

Senses Foundation gratefully acknowledges the funds it received through the following trusts and bequests.

Bequests

Estate of Arthur Owen

Estate of Eva Taylor

Trusts

Mr FJ Bluntish

Stan Perron Charitable Foundation

Marcus & Molly Stone Charitable Trust

Marjorie Helen Parsons Charitable Trust

Teresa Way Awards

The Teresa Way Awards are presented to recognise a person, a business or a community organisation which has made a significant contribution to people who are deafblind and their families through;

- a significant contribution to Senses Foundation or
- being a positive role model for people who are deafblind

The 2008 Teresa Way Awards were presented during Deafblind Awareness Week to the following recipients.

Ms Dee Roche

Dee Roche works with the UWA Business School, AIM Alliance and over the last four years has contributed significantly on a pro bono basis, to the education and training of Senses Foundation's Management Team.



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Jan Johnson

As well as being the mother and primary carer for Lydia, Jan Johnson is making a significant contribution to other parents of children who are deafblind through the Senses Foundation's Parent Support Group. Jan has proven to be a strong support and role model for other parents, particularly those new to the group with younger children.

Sharyn Mitchell

Sharyn Mitchell lives with Usher Syndrome Type 2. In Usher Syndrome, a person is born with a profound hearing impairment and then as a teenager or young adult gradually loses his or her sight. Sharyn is an excellent ambassador for Senses Foundation and role model for other people who are deafblind. Sharyn has been an active member of the Senses Foundation's Usher Support Group since its inception.

Burswood Entertainment Complex

The Burswood Entertainment Complex was the venue for the 14th Deafblind International World Conference in 2007. The manner in which the Burswood Entertainment Complex assisted Senses Foundation to host the conference played a significant part in ensuring that the conference was successful.

Gold Leaves

The Gifting Tree was established in 1993 to recognise a contribution to Senses Foundation of a monetary or “in-kind” donation. In 2007, the Gold Leaf Certificate and the Gold Leaf were separated and the eligibility to be awarded these was modified.

Eligibility to receive both a Gold Leaf and a Gold Leaf Certificate

A person, business or a community organisation that has made a contribution to Senses Foundation, in any one financial year, of:

- a monetary donation of \$2,500 or more, or
- a non monetary donation of goods or services to the value of \$5,000 or more, and has not been provided with any benefits or services in return.

Gold Leaves with accompanying certificates were presented to each of the following companies and individuals

AHG
AIM UWA Business School Alliance
Australian Steel Institute
BDO Kendalls
Mr Bronte Howson
Deacons
DirectAir Charter
Estate of Mary Taylor Eva
Mr David Tyrell
Mr William Isted
Mondo Butchers
Leeuwin Estate
Mr & Mrs A Phelan
robert c hitchcock
Mr Kim Robinson
Mr & Mrs Ralph Sarich
Synergy
Mr G Tilbrook
The West Australian Newspapers

Gold Leaves

Eligibility to receive a Gold Leaf Certificate

A person, business or a community organisation that has made a contribution to Senses Foundation, in any one financial year, of a monetary donation of between \$1,000 and \$2,499, or:

- a non monetary donation of goods or services to the value of between \$2,500 and \$4,999,
- and has not been provided with any benefits or services in return.

Gold Leaf Certificates were presented to the following companies and individuals:

Aussie Cruises
AV Alliance
Ms Gwenneth Ball
Mr & Mrs M & MD Crossley
Ms Isobel Currell
Finbar Group
Forester Estate
Mr Ivan Hoffman
Jeremy Holton
Mrs Ivy Hopkins
LWP Property Group Pty Ltd
Marcus & Molly Stone Charitable Trust
Mrs R Mussared
Mr Carl Pallier
Roberts Day Town Planning Design
Ms Dorinda Sullivan
Marjorie Helen Parsons Charitable Trust
Mr & Mrs M & MD Crossley
Stan Perron Charitable Foundation
The Porcelain Doll Makers
Mackers Guild WA (Inc)
Mead Hospitality
Harvey World Travel, Osborne Park
Australian Cricket Team [retired]

Corporate Services – in summary

The IT department met its three broad objectives for the year including consolidation; enhanced functionality, and creating efficiencies.

Administration support to the organisation increased with the appointment of two Administrative Secretaries.

Senses paid for 10 employees to attend the 14th Deafblind International World Conference as full delegates.

The management of client funds was reviewed including internal audits, staff training, monitoring and procedures.

Senses Foundation staff received 990 hours of training and development with 77% of this being directed to client services staff.

Senior Managers and Managers participated in Corporate Team Building – Action Learning, a program aimed at building a Champion Team.

Through Traineeships

- Two staff members completed the Level 3 and Level 4 training in Disability
- One staff member completed Level 4 training.
- Two staff members signed to undertake Level 3 and Level 4 training.
- Two staff members funded by Senses Foundation completed Level 4 training.

One staff member is studying a Post Graduate Certificate in Disability; one staff member is enrolled in a Masters in Social Work; one staff member is enrolled in a Master of Business.

Two scholarships were secured from the Australian Institute of Management, the Annual AIM Scholarship and the Sir Frank Ledger Scholarship. To compete in a tight labour market, employment advertisements were revamped to make them competitive.

- A working party Building Our Workforce was formed to develop recruitment and retention strategies and to make Senses Foundation the preferred workplace in the disability sector.

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Income Statement for the year ended 30 June 2008

	Note	2008	2007
		\$000	\$000
Revenues from Ordinary Activities	2	6,961	7,560
Cost of bingo sales	3	(2,186)	(2,684)
Depreciation expenses	3	(177)	(102)
Salaries and employee benefits expense		(3,236)	(2,847)
Other expenses from ordinary activities	3	(2,043)	(1,279)
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Surplus/(Deficit) from Ordinary Activities		(681)	648
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To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

Balance Sheet as at 30 June 2008

	Note	2008 \$000	2007 \$000
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents		4,420	865
Trade and other receivables	4	228	356
Other current assets	5	77	73
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>4,725</u>	<u>1,294</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	6	6,587	5,946
Financial assets	7	1,625	5,964
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>8,212</u>	<u>11,910</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>12,938</u>	<u>13,204</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	792	650
Short-term provisions	9	277	318
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>1,069</u>	<u>968</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Long-term provisions	9	215	230
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>215</u>	<u>230</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>1,284</u>	<u>1,198</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>11,654</u>	<u>12,006</u>
EQUITY			
Accumulated funds		8,281	8,962
Reserves		3,373	3,044
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>11,654</u>	<u>12,006</u>

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

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Statement of Changes in Equity as at 30 June 2008

	Accumulated funds	Asset revaluation reserve	Bequest reserve	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Opening balance at July 1 2006	8,314	85	38	8,437
Fair value accounting of available for sale financial assets taken directly to equity	-	2,921	-	2,921
Profit for the year	648	-	-	648
Balance at June 30 2007	8,962	3,006	38	12,006
Profit/(Loss) for the year	(681)	-	-	(681)
Fair value accounting of available for sale financial assets taken directly to equity	-	329	-	329
Balance at June 30 2008	8,280	3,335	38	11,654

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

Statement of Cash Flows for year ended 30 June 2008

	Note	2008	2007
		\$000	\$000
Cash Flows from Operating Activities			
Receipts from customers		3,939	4,441
Subsidies from government		2,815	2,627
Interest received		250	183
Dividends received		81	115
Payments to suppliers and employees		(7,341)	(6,698)
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net Cash Flows (used in)/from			
Operating Activities	11 (A)	<u>(256)</u>	<u>668</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities			
Purchase of fixed assets		(237)	(743)
Purchase of investments		(0)	(4,100)
Proceeds from sale of fixed assets		3	4,259
Proceeds from sale of investments		4,045	-
		<u> </u>	<u> </u>
Net Cash Flows from/(used in)			
Investing Activities		<u>3,811</u>	<u>(584)</u>
Net Increase/(Decrease) in Cash Held			
		3,555	84
Add Opening Cash Balances Brought Forward			
		<u>865</u>	<u>781</u>
Closing Cash Balances Carried Forward			
	11 (B)	<u>4,420</u>	<u>865</u>

To be read in conjunction with the Notes to the Financial Statements

Notes to and forming part of the Financial

1. Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

Basis of Accounting

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues group Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board.

The financial report of Senses Foundation (Inc) complies with all Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (A-IFRS) in their entirety.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the Foundation in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

Reporting Basis and Conventions

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

Accounting Policies

Basis of Preparation of financial report

a) Rounding Off

Items in the Accounts and Notes thereto have

been rounded off to the nearest thousand dollars unless specifically stated otherwise.

b) Impairment of Assets

At each reporting date, the Foundation reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the income statement. Impairment testing is performed annually for goodwill and intangible assets with indefinite lives.

Where it is not possible to estimate the recoverable amount of an individual asset, the Foundation estimates the recoverable amount of the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

c) Investments

Interests in listed and unlisted securities are initially brought to account at cost.

Other securities are included at fair value at balance date. Unrealised gains/losses on securities held for short term investment are accounted for as set out in Note 1 (k) (i)

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financial assets at fair value through profit or loss. Unrealised gains/losses on securities held for long term investment are accounted for as set out in Note 1 (k) (iii) available for sale financial assets

d) Property, Plant and Equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Property

Freehold land and buildings are shown at their fair value (being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction), based on periodic, but at least triennial, valuations by external independent valuers, less subsequent depreciation for buildings.

Any accumulated depreciation at the date of revaluation is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset and the net amount is restated to the revalued amount of the asset.

Plant and Equipment

Plant and equipment is measured on the cost basis less depreciation and impairment losses.

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Foundation to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed

on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

The cost of fixed assets constructed within the Foundation includes the cost of materials, direct labour, borrowing costs and an appropriate proportion of fixed and variable overheads. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Foundation and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the income statement during the financial period in which they are incurred.

Increases in the carrying amount arising on revaluation of land and buildings are credited to a revaluation reserve in equity. Decreases that offset previous increases of the same asset are charged against fair value reserves directly in equity; all other decreases are charged to the income statement. Each year the difference between depreciation based on the revalued carrying amount of the asset charged to the income statement and depreciation based on the asset's original cost is transferred from the revaluation reserve to retained earnings.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised lease assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to the economic entity commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

Class of Assets	Depreciation Rate
Buildings	2.5%
Plant and Equipment	20%
Furniture and Fittings	20%
Motor Vehicles	20%
Computer Equipment	40%
Leasehold Improvements	20%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each balance sheet date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount.

These gains and losses are included in the income statement. When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to the asset are transferred to retained earnings.

e) Bingo Income

Until 19 April 2008, Senses Foundation leased and managed the Bayswater Bingo Centre. All income from the Centre was brought to account as income of Senses Foundation.

f) Grants

All grants, both capital and revenue, received by Senses Foundation are brought to account as revenue.

g) Cash and Cash Equivalents

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, cash includes deposits at call which are readily convertible to cash on hand and are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value, net of outstanding bank overdrafts.

h) Income Tax

Under Section 50-5 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 the income of Senses Foundation as a charitable institution is exempt from income tax.

i) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

j) Comparative Figures

When required by Accounting Standards, comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial year.

k) Financial Instruments

The Foundation classifies its investments in the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, loans and receivables, and available-for-sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the investments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its investments at initial recognition and re-evaluates this designation at each reporting date.

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss

This category has two sub-categories; financial assets held for trading, and those designated at fair value through profit or loss on initial recognition. A financial asset is classified in this category if acquired principally for the purpose of selling in the short term or if so designated by management. The policy of Management is

to designate a financial asset if there exists the possibility it will be sold in the short term and the asset is subject to frequent changes in fair value. Assets in this category are classified as current assets if they are either held for trading or are expected to be realised within 12 months of the balance sheet date.

(ii) Loans and receivables

Loans and receivables are non derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market. They arise when the Foundation provides money, goods or services directly to a debtor with no intention of selling the receivable. They are included in current assets, except for those with maturities greater than 12 months after the balance sheet date which are classified as non-current assets. Loans and receivables are included in receivables in the balance sheet.

(iii) Available-for-sale financial assets

Available-for-sale financial assets, comprising principally marketable equity securities, are non-derivatives that are either designated in this category or not classified in any of the other categories. They are included in non-current assets unless Management intends to dispose of the investment within 12 months of the balance sheet date.

l) Employee Benefits

(i) Wages, salaries and annual leave

Liabilities for wages, salaries and annual leave expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are recognised in respect of employees' services up to the reporting date and are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

(ii) Employee benefits payable later than one year

Employee benefits payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflows to be made for those benefits.

(iii) Superannuation

Contributions are made by the Foundation to superannuation funds as stipulated by statutory requirements and are charged as expenses when incurred.

(iv) Employee benefit on costs

Employee benefit on costs are recognised and included in employee benefits liabilities and costs when the employee benefits to which they relate are recognised as liabilities.

(v) Long service leave

The Foundation accrues for long service leave when the entitlement becomes due, as statutorily applied under the Long Service Leave Act.

2. Revenue from Ordinary Activities

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
Revenue from bingo	2,757	3,412
Revenue from accommodation services	91	81
Revenue from donations & bequests	385	370
	<u>3,233</u>	<u>3,863</u>
Revenue from Grant		
Grant from Government	2,684	2,066
Grant from Lotterywest (inc Gordon Reid)	131	561
	<u>2,815</u>	<u>2,627</u>
Total Revenues from Operating Activities	<u>6,048</u>	<u>6,490</u>
Revenues from Non-Operating Activities		
Rent	254	94
Interest	250	183
Dividends	81	421
Net gains from disposal of property	3	59
Other revenue	325	313
	<u>913</u>	<u>1,070</u>
Total Revenues from Non-Operating Activities	<u>913</u>	<u>1,070</u>
Total Revenues from Ordinary Activities	<u>6,961</u>	<u>7,560</u>

Grant funding of \$97,328 was received from Lotterywest during the year to refurbish the new premises. This amount has been brought to account as revenue, the specific expenditure is included in the assets at written down value.

3. Expenses and Losses

	2008 \$000	2007 \$000
Bingo direct costs	1,824	2,224
Bingo transport and parking	347	441
Gaming taxes	15	19
Total Cost of Bingo Sales	<u>2,186</u>	<u>2,684</u>
Other Expenses		
Professional fees	54	38
Insurance	143	124
Rates, gas and electricity	101	92
Phone, postage, stationery and bank charges	73	86
Advertising	59	3
Vehicle expenses	40	26
Property costs	170	120
Other general expenses	1,247	663
Rental of premises	113	127
Net loss on disposal of assets	42	-
	<u>2,042</u>	<u>1,279</u>
Depreciation of Non-Current Assets		
Buildings	65	53
Furniture & Fittings	42	10
Computer Equipment	12	7
Motor Vehicle	29	22
Plant & Equipment	27	8
Leasehold Improvements	2	2
Total Depreciation of Non-Current Assets	<u>177</u>	<u>102</u>

4. Receivables

Debtors	110	45
Less provision for doubtful debts	(2)	-
Other debtors	113	306
Imputation credit	7	5
	<u>228</u>	<u>356</u>
Total	<u>228</u>	<u>356</u>

Debtors are non-interest bearing and are on 14 or 30 day terms.

5. Other Current Assets

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
Prepayments	77	73

6. Property, Plant and Equipment

Freehold land at independent valuation	1,750	1,750
Freehold buildings at independent valuation	4,560	3,850
Accumulated depreciation	(132)	(66)
	<u>6,178</u>	<u>5,534</u>

Plant and Equipment		
Cost	922	1,083
Accumulated depreciation	(513)	(671)
	<u>409</u>	<u>412</u>

Total Property, Plant and Equipment		
Cost	7,232	6,683
Accumulated depreciation	(645)	(737)

Total Written Down Amount	<u>6,587</u>	<u>5,946</u>
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Reconciliation of net carrying amount		
Land and building		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	5,534	2,641
Revaluation/ Additions	710	2,946
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	(66)	(53)
	<u>6,178</u>	<u>5,534</u>

Plant and equipment		
Carrying amount at beginning of year	412	45
Additions	111	437
Disposals/Write-off	(3)	(21)
Depreciation expense	(111)	(49)
	<u>409</u>	<u>412</u>

Total Net Carrying Amount at End of Year	<u>6,587</u>	<u>5,946</u>
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7. Financial Assets

Name	Balance 30/6/07	Invested During Year	Redeemed During Year	Revalued Balance 30/6/08	Gain/ (Loss)
Burns Beach Property Trust	79			65	(14)
MIR Absolute Return Fund	1,719		1,520	0	(199)
AXA Wholesale Australian Property Fund	1,460		1,415	0	(45)
Centro Direct Property Fund-International	847		846	0	(1)
Basis Capital Yield Fund - see Note 7(i)	1,560			1,560	0
Select Gottex Market Neutral Fund	299		264	0	(35)
Bayswater Bendigo Community Bank		1		1	0
	<u>5,964</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4,045</u>	<u>1,625</u>	<u>(294)</u>

(i) Investment in Basis Capital Yield Fund

On July 17th 2007, Senses Foundation Inc was advised that Basis Capital Yield Fund had suspended applications and redemptions in and out of the Fund because of instability in some markets in which it invests. Subsequent legal action has found that some redeemers in the Fund are entitled to a refund. Senses Foundation Inc is an unsecured creditor. Senses Foundation Inc has an investment in the fund at a carrying amount of \$1,560,000 at June 30 2008 and the actions of Basic Capital Yield Fund indicate that this asset may be impaired.

Since then, and at the date of this report, there has been insufficient information available to determine to what extent, if any, the carrying amount of the asset has been impaired and in these circumstances no adjustment has been made for possible impairment at year end. If, when all the facts are known, it transpires that the asset is impaired the asset will be required to be written down by the impairment amount and the resulting loss will reduce accumulated funds in the balance sheet by the same amount

8. Trade and Other Payables

	2008 \$000	2007 \$000
Current		
Trade creditors	150	94
Other creditors	536	536
Goods and Services Tax	106	20
	<u>792</u>	<u>650</u>

Trade creditors are non-interest bearing and are normally settled in accordance with the terms of the relevant supplier. Other creditors are non-interest bearing and have an average term of 14 to 30 days. Included in other creditors is grant monies \$367,000 (2007: \$402,000) received in this financial year which relates to the following year.

9. Provisions

	2008 \$000	2007 \$000
Current		
Provision for annual leave	201	257
Provision for long service leave	43	23
Provision for DHW property maintenance	32	38
Provision for FBT	1	-
	<u>277</u>	<u>318</u>
Non-Current		
Provision for long service leave	15	30
Provision for Government Funds	200	200
	<u>215</u>	<u>230</u>

Under the terms of an agreement between the Department of Housing and Works (DHW), formerly Homeswest, and Senses Foundation whereby DHW houses are leased to clients of Senses Foundation, there is a requirement for Senses Foundation to provide from the rent proceeds an amount equal to 1% of the market value of each house (excluding land) for future maintenance. The amount set aside up to the end of financial year is \$32,000 (2007: \$38,000).

10. Bequests Reserve

Three bequests were received by Senses Foundation on the condition that the funds are invested at all times.

	2008 \$000	2007 \$000
Ada Woodward bequest	30	30
Cookworthy bequest	3	3
Pauline Bosikovic bequest	5	5
	<u>38</u>	<u>38</u>

11(A) Reconciliation of the net surplus to the net cash flow from operating activities:

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
Net surplus/(deficit)	(681)	648
Adjustments for non cash items:		
Depreciation expense	177	102
Net (profit)/loss on sale of property, plant and equipment	-	(39)
Net (profit)/loss on sale of investments	38	-
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase)/Decrease in receivables and prepayments	124	(146)
Increase/(Decrease) in payables and accruals	142	108
Increase/(Decrease) in provision for employee entitlements	(56)	(5)
Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities	<u>(256)</u>	<u>668</u>

11(B) Reconciliation of Cash Balances:

Cash balance comprises:

Cash on hand	1	6
Cash at bank	374	97
Cash deposits	<u>4,045</u>	<u>762</u>
Cash Balance as per Statement of Cash Flows	<u>4,420</u>	<u>865</u>

11 (C) Bank Overdrafts

Senses Foundation has no bank overdraft facility.

12. Contingent Liabilities

No contingent liabilities exist at the statement of financial position date.

13. Lease Commitments

Senses Foundation is committed to payment for rental of premises as follows:

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
- not later than one year	18	134
- later than one year and not later than two years	18	112

14. Auditors Remuneration

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
Remuneration of the auditor		
- auditing or reviewing the financial report	27	26
- advisory services	11	4

15. Segment Information

Senses Foundation operates in Western Australia.

The Bayswater Bingo Centre was closed during this financial year.

	2008	2007
	\$000	\$000
(a) Revenue		
Bingo	2,757	3,412
Accommodation	91	81
Grants	2,815	2,627
Other	1,298	1,440
	<u>6,961</u>	<u>7,560</u>
(b) Total Assets	<u>12,938</u>	<u>13,204</u>

16. Financial Instruments

(a) Interest Rate Risk

Instrument	Floating Rate		Fixed Rate Maturity		Non Interest Bearing		Total Carrying Amount		Weighted Av Effective Rate	
	\$000		\$000		\$000		\$000		%	
	2008	2007	2 Years or Less		2008	2007	2008	2007	2008	2007
Financial Assets										
Cash	374	97			1	6	375	103	0.68	0.7
Term Deposit		573	4,046	188			4,046	761	7.96	6.35
Receivables					228	356	228	356	-	-
Financial Assets					1,625	5,964	1,625	5,964	-	-
Total Fin. Assets	374	670	4,046	188	1,854	6,326	6,274	7,184		
Financial Liabilities										
Trade Creditors	-	-	-	-	150	94	150	94	-	-
Other Creditors	-	-	-	-	642	556	642	556	-	-
Total Fin. Liabilities	-	-	-	-	792	650	792	650		

(b) Net Fair Values

The aggregate net fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities at balance date is the same as or approximates the balance sheet carrying amount.

The fair values of financial assets and financial liabilities are determined as follows:

- The fair value of financial assets and financial liabilities traded on active liquid markets with standard terms and conditions are determined with reference to quoted market prices; and
- The fair value of other financial assets and financial liabilities are determined in accordance with generally accepted pricing models based on discounted cash flow analysis; and
- The fair value of derivative instruments, included in hedged assets and liabilities, are calculated using quoted prices. Where such prices are not available, use is made of discounted cash flow analysis using the applicable yield curve for the duration of the instruments.

(c) Credit Risk

The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at balance date to recognise financial asset is the recoverable amount as disclosed in the Balance Sheet and notes to the financial statements. Senses Foundation does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instrument

entered into by the Foundation.

(d) Liquidity Risk Management

Ultimate responsibility for liquidity risk management rests with the Board of Management, who have built an appropriate liquidity risk management framework for the management of the Foundations' short, medium and long terms funding and liquidity management requirements. The Foundation manages liquidity risk by maintaining adequate reserves, banking facilities and reserve borrowing facilities by continuously monitoring forecast and actual cash flows and matching the maturity profiles of financial assets and liabilities.

17. Related Party Transactions

The following members acted as members of the Board of Management of Senses Foundation during the year. Members of Board do not receive any remuneration or other benefits as the positions are honorary in nature.

Mr J Thom - President

Mr R Matich - Vice President

Mr B Cutler

Mr C Billings

Mr J Groppoli

Ms A Bourke

Ms S Rowell

Mr David Halge – from 14 November 2007

Ms Deidre Willmott – from 14 March 2008

Statement by Board of Management

In accordance with a resolution of the Board of Management of Senses Foundation (Inc), we state that:

(a) The accompanying Financial Statements comprising the Income Statement, Balance Sheet, Statement of Changes in Equity, Statement of Cash Flows together with notes to and forming part of the Financial Statements have been properly drawn up

to give a true and fair view of the Foundation's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.

(b) At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Senses Foundation (Inc) will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due and payable.

Dated: 7th October, 2008

On behalf of the Board:



Rick Matich

Board Member

Chairman, Finance, Audit & Compliance Committee

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members of Senses Foundation (Inc).

Report on the Financial Report

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Senses Foundation (Inc) (the Foundation) which comprises the income statement, balance sheet, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year ended 30 June 2008, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the statement by the Board of Management.

Board of Management's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Board of Management of Senses Foundation is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations). This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Board of Management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion:

The financial report of Senses Foundation (Inc) is in accordance with applicable accounting standards including:

- i. giving a true and fair view of the Foundation's financial position as at 30 June 2008 and of their performance for the year ended on that date; and
- ii. complying with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia.

Significant Uncertainty Regarding Carrying Value of Investment

Without qualification to the opinion expressed above we draw attention to Note 7 Financial Assets which indicate that the Foundation's investment in Basis Capital Yield Fund may be impaired. There is insufficient information available to determine to what extent, if any, this asset may be impaired but if any impairment exists it will require a write down of the investment with the loss reducing accumulated funds by the same amount.



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