

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY AND APPLIED ARTS OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO FOR THE YEAR ENDED 2005 SEPTEMBER 30

The accompanying Financial Statements of the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago for the year ended 2005 September 30 have been audited. The Statements comprise a Balance Sheet as at 2005 September 30, a Statement of Income and Expenditure, a Statement of Changes in Reserves and a Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 2005 September 30 and Notes to the Financial Statements numbered 1 to 16.

MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

2. The management of the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT) is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these Financial Statements in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards. This responsibility includes: designing, implementing and maintaining internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of Financial Statements that are 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

- 3. The Auditor General's responsibility is to express an opinion on these Financial Statements based on the audit. The audit was carried out in accordance with section 116 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and section 24 (4) and (5) of the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago Act, Chapter 39:56 (the Act). The audit was conducted in accordance with auditing standards which require that ethical requirements be complied with and that the audit be planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.
- 4. An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Financial Statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Financial Statements, 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 Statements 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 management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Financial Statements. It is my view that the audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for the comments made at paragraphs 5 to 9 of this Report.



BASIS FOR QUALIFICATION

Prior Year Adjustments

- 5.1 The Statement of Changes in Reserves reflected prior year adjustments of \$23,595,162.00 related to the year ended 2003 September 30 and \$16,436,112.00 related to the year ended 2004 September 30. Of these adjustments, amounts totalling \$1,705,690.03 were not verified.
- 5.2 Prior year adjustments totalling \$236,644.00 (Net) reflected at Note 7 to the Financial Statements in respect of Property and Equipment were also not verified.
- 5.3 The presentation of prior year adjustments in the financial statements did not comply fully with paragraph 49 (b) (i) and (c) of International Accounting Standard 8 (IAS 8) in that the following information was not presented:
 - > for each prior period presented, the amount of correction for each financial statement line item affected, and
 - > the amount of the correction at the beginning of the earliest prior period presented.

ERRORS IN / OMISSIONS FROM THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

6. Errors in and omissions from the Financial Statements have been drawn to the attention of the Management of the COSTAATT.

OPINION

7. In my opinion, except for the effect of the matters described at paragraphs 5 and 6 above, the Financial Statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago as at 2005 September 30 and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended 2005 September 30 in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards.

OTHER MATTERS

Bank Overdraft

8.1 The Operating Account reflected overdrawn balances during the financial year. Section 36 (1) of the Exchequer and Audit Act, Chapter 69:01 states:

"No statutory body shall borrow temporarily by way of bank overdraft or otherwise without the sanction of the Minister".

The approval of the Minister of Finance for overdraft facilities was not seen.



8.2 Further, penalty interest of \$16,161.77 was incurred as a result of insufficient funds in the account.

Pension Plan

9.1 Section 32 (1) of the Act states:

"The Board shall within two years of the date of assent of this Act, establish a pension fund plan."

9.2 The date of assent of the Act was 2000 November 06. Evidence was not seen that a pension fund plan was established at the Balance Sheet date of 2005 September 30. However, it was seen that COSTAATT has made certain arrangements with respect to pension matters.

SUBMISSION OF REPORT

10. This Report is being submitted to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the President of the Senate and the Minister of Finance in accordance with the requirements of sections 116 and 119 of the Constitution of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

2012 August 14



SHARMAN OTTLEY AUDITOR GENERAL

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

30 SEPTEMBER 2005

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005

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BALANCE SHEET AT 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

| | Notes | 2005 | 2004 |
|-------------------------------------|-------|-------------|-------------|
| Current assets | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 4 | 30,377,217 | 41,461,060 |
| Accounts receivable and prepayments | 5 | 58,519,333 | 53,022,272 |
| | | 88,896,550 | 94,483,332 |
| | | | |
| Non- current assets | | | |
| Property and equipment | 7 | 32,229,052 | 10,838,283 |
| Capital projects in progress | | 40,029,443 | 11,553,737 |
| | | 72,258,495 | 22,392,020 |
| | | 161 155 045 | 116.075.252 |
| TOTAL ASSETS | | 161,155,045 | 116,875,352 |
| LIABILITIES AND RESERVES | | | |
| Current liabilities | | | |
| Trade and other payables | 6 | 6,785,000 | 5,838,106 |
| Trade and outer payables | | 6,785,000 | 5,838,106 |
| ų. | | | |
| Non-current liabilities | | | |
| Deferred capital grants | 8 | 87,159,258 | 56,735,322 |
| | | 87,159,258 | 56,735,322 |
| Spiz Augusty | | | |
| Reserves | | 67,210,787 | 54,301,924 |
| TON GE | | 67,210,787 | 54,814,843 |
| TOTAL LANGUAGE AND | | | |
| TOTAL LIABILITIES AND RESERVES | | 161,155,045 | 116,875,352 |
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The notes on pages 9 to 25 form part of these financial statements. These financial statements were approved on March 08, 2012 and signed by:

: President
: Vice President Finance and Administration

At its meeting on April 13, 2012, the Board of Trustees at COSTAATT delegated authority to the President and Vice President Finance and Administration to sign these financial statements. As with the Board, these two officials were not employed with the College in 2005.

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

| | Notes | 2005 \$ | 2004 \$ |
|--|-------|--------------|-------------------|
| Income | | Ψ | Ψ |
| Government contributions: | | | |
| Recurrent grants | | 57,047,544 | 30,180,429 |
| Capital grants released | 8 | 18,156,064 | 7,632,017 |
| Tuition and other related fees | | 17,632,692 | 15,802,120 |
| Interest income | 9 | 1,594,506 | 321,276 |
| Miscellaneous income | | 636,770 | - |
| Other income | 10 | 529,700 | 588,384 |
| | | 95,597,276 | 54,524,226 |
| Expenses | | | |
| Depreciation | 7 | (6,144,501) | (3,456,557) |
| Staff costs | 11 | (34,252,923) | (21,980,095) |
| General and administrative expenses | 12 | (7,207,165) | (7,942,400) |
| Other operating expenses | 13 | (35,083,824) | (16,302,251) |
| | | (82,688,413) | (49,681,303) |
| Excess of income over expenditure for the year | | 12,908,863 | 4,842,923 |

The notes on pages 8 to 25 form part of these financial statements

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN RESERVES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

| | Total |
|---|------------|
| | \$ |
| Year ended 30 September, 2004 | |
| Balance as at 30 September, 2003 as originally reported | 9,427,727 |
| Prior year adjustments | 23,595,162 |
| Balance as at 30 September, 2003 as adjusted | 33,022,889 |
| | |
| Balance as at 1 October, 2003 as adjusted | 33,022,889 |
| Prior year adjustments | 16,436,112 |
| Excess of income over expenditure for the year | 4,842,923 |
| Balance at 30 September, 2004 as adjusted | 54,301,924 |
| | |
| Year ended 30 September, 2005 | |
| Balance at 1 October 2004 as adjusted | 54,301,924 |
| Excess of income over expenditure for the year | 12,908,863 |
| Balance at 30 September, 2005 | 67,210,787 |

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|--------------|-------------|
| Cash flows from operating activities | | |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Excess of income over expenditure for the year | 12,908,863 | 4,842,923 |
| Adjustments to reconcile excess of income over | | |
| expenditure to net cash from operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation | 6,144,501 | 3,456,557 |
| Capital grants released to the statement of | | |
| income and expenditure | (18,156,064) | (7,632,017) |
| Operating income before working capital changes | 897,300 | 667,463 |
| Increase in accounts receivable and prepayments | (5,497,061) | (380,786) |
| Increase in trade and other payables | 946,894 | 4,547,830 |
| Net cash (outflow)/ inflow from operating | | |
| activities | (3,652,867) | 4,834,507 |
| Cash flows from investing activities | | |
| Purchase of property and equipment | (27,535,270) | (1,503,321) |
| Payments toward capital projects in progress | (28,475,706) | (3,414,305) |
| Net cash outflow from investing activities | (56,010,976) | (4,917,626) |
| Cash flows from financing activities | | |
| Proceeds from capital grants | 48,580,000 | 33,891,349 |
| Net cash inflow from financing activities | 48,580,000 | 33,891,349 |
| Not (dooroogo)/in angaga in gagh and gagh | | |
| Net (decrease)/increase in cash and cash equivalents | (11,083,843) | 33,486,954 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of year | 41,461,060 | 7,974,106 |
| Caon and caon equivalence at the organisms of year | 11, 101,000 | 7,577,100 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at the end of year | 30,377,217 | 41,461,060 |

The accompanying notes on pages 8 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|---------------------------|------------|------------|
| B | \$ | \$ |
| Represented by: | | |
| Cash at bank and in hand | 12,968,465 | 41,448,753 |
| Money market mutual funds | 17,408,752 | 12,307 |
| | 30,377,217 | 41,461,060 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars)

1. Incorporation and principal activity

The College of Science, Technology and Applied Arts of Trinidad and Tobago (COSTAATT) was established by an Act of Parliament, #77 of 2000 of the laws of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

The College operates out of multi-campus facilities throughout Trinidad and Tobago. Its registered office is located at No. 5-7 Melville Lane, Port of Spain.

The management of the College is vested in a Board of Trustees appointed by the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

The College is an institution of higher education and research. It provides training and educational services at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

2. Significant accounting policies

a) Basis of presentation

These financial statements are prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS), and are stated in Trinidad and Tobago dollars. These financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis.

The following is a summary of the significant accounting and reporting policies used in preparing the financial statements.

b) Standards in issue not yet effective

The College has not applied the following IFRS and IFRIC Interpretations that have been issued but are not yet effective. These standards/interpretations may not apply to the activities of the College or have no material impact on its financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

(c) Adoption of new and revised International Financial Reporting Standards

In the current year, the College has adopted all of the new and revised Standards and Interpretations issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IASB) and the International Financial Reporting Interpretations Committee (IFRIC) of the IASB that are relevant to its operations and effective for accounting periods beginning on 1 January 2004. The adoption of these new and revised Standards and Interpretations has not resulted in changes to the College's accounting policies in the following areas that have affected the amounts reported for the current or prior years:

At the date of authorisation of these financial statements, the following Standards and Interpretations were in issue but not yet effective:

IFRS 6 Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources

IFRIC 3 Emission Rights

IFRIC 4 Determining whether an Arrangement contains a Lease

IFRIC 5 Right to Interests Arising from Decommissioning, Restoration and Environmental Rehabilitation Funds

The directors anticipate that the adoption of these Standards and Interpretations in future periods will have no material impact on the financial statements of the College.

d) Financial instruments

Financial instruments carried in the balance sheet include cash and bank balances, accounts receivable and prepayments and trade payables, and are stated at fair values.

The College's financial assets and liabilities are recognised in the balance sheet when it becomes party to the contractual obligations of the instrument. Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs for all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

d) Financial instruments (cont'd)

The College derecognizes its financial assets when the rights to receive cash flows from the assets have expired or where the College has transferred substantially all risks and rewards of ownership. Financial liabilities are derecognised only when the obligation under the liability is discharged, cancelled or expires. All "regular way" purchases and sales are recognized on the trade date, which is the date that the College commits to purchase or sell the instrument.

e) Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets are impaired when the carrying value is greater than the recoverable amount and there is objective evidence of impairment. The recoverable amount is the present value of the future cash flows.

Provision for impairment is assessed for all loans where there is objective evidence that the full amount due to the College would not be repaid. The allowance recognized is measured as the difference between the asset's carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows discounted at the asset original effective interest rate.

f) Property and equipment

Property and equipment are stated in the balance sheet at historical cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Historical cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the items. Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or are recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the College and the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

f) Property and equipment (continued)

All other repairs and maintenance are charged to other operating expenses during the financial period in which they are incurred.

With the exception of capital works in progress, depreciation is charged on all other assets on the reducing balance basis at annual rates estimated to write off these assets over their useful lives as follows:

Motor vehicles - 25%
Furniture and equipment - 20%
Computer equipment - 33 1/3%

The costs of buildings under construction are classified as 'capital works in progress'. Depreciation is charged when the construction is substantially completed and the assets are ready for use.

Section No. 39 of Act 77 of 2000 by which the College was established states that 'Upon commencement of this Act all property belonging to the scheduled Tertiary Level Institutions' are respectively transferred to and vested in the College.' As such, property and equipment transferred by the Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago and/or donated by other sources to the College are recognized at their estimated fair values, with a corresponding credit to the deferred capital grant account.

Property and equipment are reviewed periodically for impairment. Where the carrying amount of an asset is greater than its estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposal of property and equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amounts and are taken into the Statement of income and expenditure.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

g) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are defined as cash at bank and in hand and short term, highly liquid investments readily convertible to known amounts of cash with original maturities of three months or less and subject to insignificant risks of change in value. These amounts are carried at cost which approximates their fair value.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

h) Capital grants and government contributions

Capital grants

Capital grants are received from the GORTT for the specific purpose of construction and/or purchase of property and equipment. These grants are recognized where there is reasonable assurance that the grant funds will be received and utilized in accordance with all stipulated conditions. An amount equivalent to the depreciation charge on the relevant property and equipment is released to income over the expected useful life of the asset.

Government subventions

Subventions received from GORTT to meet operating deficits are recognized in the respective year to which the Government's annual budget allocation applies.

The College adopts the deferral method of accounting for grants when they are restricted in use by the donor.

i) Trade payable

Trade payables are carried at cost, which is the fair value of the consideration to be paid in the future for goods and services received, whether or not invoiced to the College.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

j) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the College has a present (legal or constructive) obligation as a result of past events from which, it is probable that an outflow of resources embodying economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation, and a reliable estimate of the amount of the obligation can be made.

Employee entitlements to annual leave and long service leave are recognised when they accrue to employees. A provision is made for the estimated liability for annual leave and long service leave as a result of services rendered by employees up to the balance sheet date.

Provisions are measured at the present value of the expenditures expected to be required to settle the obligation using a pre-tax rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the obligation.

k) Employee benefits

Pension obligations

The College has no pension plan in existence presently.

The College has three (3) categories of staff namely:

- (i) Employees transferred from the National Institute of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (NIHERST).
- (ii) Seconded officers. These are officers transferred from Government Ministries for specified periods.
- (iii) Contract staff.

Employees transferred from NIHERST to COSTAATT continue to contribute to the NIHERST pension plan. The rate of contribution for employees of NIHERST is 6% of their base salary, while the rate of contribution paid by COSTAATT for NIHERST employees is 10.4% of their base salary plus 4% pension adjustment granted to members to assist in meeting their pension payment.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

k) Employee benefits (continued)

Pension obligations (continued)

COSTAATT's monthly pension contributions for NIHERST employees stand at \$32,000.

Seconded officers' pensionable status is preserved by COSTAATT paying 25% of their substantive salary to the Comptroller of Accounts, while contracted officers receive a gratuity upon completion of service to the organization.

The College's obligation for contributions to the defined-contribution scheme is recognized as an expense in the statement of income as incurred.

l) Financial liabilities

Financial liabilities are recognized initially at fair value net of transaction costs, and subsequently measured at amortized cost using the effective interest rate method.

m) Revenue recognition

Revenue is recognized to the extent that it is probable that economic benefits will flow to the College and the revenue can be reliably measured. Revenue is measured at their fair value of the consideration received, excluding discounts and rebates. The following specific recognition criteria apply to the relevant category of revenue:

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

2. Significant accounting policies (continued)

n) Revenue recognition

- (i) Grants relating to operating activities
 Grants relating to operating activities are recognized as income on a systematic basis over
 the periods in which the related expenses are incurred.
- (ii) Tuition and other related feesTuition fees are recognized on the accrual basis over the period of instruction.
- (iii) Interest income
 Interest income is accounted for on an accrual basis.
- (iv) Other income
 Income is received from a range of sources including cafeteria sales, sale of produce and other services rendered. Income is recognized on the accrual basis to match with the relevant services.

o) Comparative information

Certain changes in presentation of comparative information have been made in these financial statements. These changes primarily relate to the reclassification of balances previously presented as subventions from Government. In addition, there were changes to the classification of certain prior year expenses to ensure consistency with current year presentation. These changes had no effect on net assets or operating results for the previous year.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

3. Critical accounting judgments and key sources of estimation uncertainty

Key sources of estimation uncertainty

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires the use of estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Although these estimates are based on management's best knowledge of current events and actions, actual results ultimately may differ from those estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognized in the period in which the estimate is revised if the revision affects only that period or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

Critical accounting judgments

The following are the critical judgments, apart from those involving estimations that management has made in the process of applying the entity's accounting policies that have the most significant effect on the amounts recognized in financial statements.

a) Impairment of financial assets

Management makes judgments at each balance sheet date to determine whether financial assets are impaired when the carrying value is greater than the recoverable amount and there is objective evidence of impairment. The recoverable amount is the present value of the future cash flows.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

| | | 2005 | 2004 | |
|------------|---|-------------------------|--|------|
| 4. | Cash and cash equivalents | | | |
| | • | \$ | \$ | |
| | Cash and cash equivalents for the purposes of the | statement of cash flows | s include the follow | ing: |
| | Cash at bank and in hand | 12 069 465 | 41 440 752 | |
| | | 12,968,465 | 41,448,753 | |
| | Money market mutual funds | 17,408,752 | 12,307 | |
| | | 30,377,217 | 41,461,060 | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | 2005 | 2004 | |
| 5 . | Accounts receivable and prepayments | | | |
| | | \$ | \$ | |
| | Accounts receivable | 45,998,143 | 47,637,695 | |
| | Prepayments | 980,430 | Œ | |
| | Staff debtors | 11,700 | 14,700 | |
| | VAT receivable | 11,524,867 | 3,057,709 | |
| | Other receivables | 4,193 | 2,312,168 | |
| | | _58,519,333 | 53,022,272 | |
| | | | | |
| 6. | Tuede and other nevebles | 2005 | 2004 | |
| 0. | Trade and other payables | 2005 \$ | 2004 \$ | |
| | Trade payables and accruals | 3,849,571 | 4,803,165 | |
| | Provision for staff bonus and unpaid leave | 2,414,494 | 4,003,103 | |
| | Stale-dated cheques | 487,083 | 572,200 | |
| | Other payables | 20000 * 12 2000 | 100 - 3/20 - 100 - | |
| | Onici payables | 33,852 | 462,741 | |
| | | 6,785,000 | 5,838,106 | |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

7) Property and equipment

| | Computer Equipment \$ | Motor Vehicles \$ | Furniture and Furnishings \$ | Equipment \$ | Total |
|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|
| Year ended 30 th September 2005 | | | | | |
| Opening net book value Additions Depreciation charge | 5,806,807 6,631,990 (3,230,297) | 124,174 510,185 (147,444) | 1,867,660 11,092,099 (1,586,188) | 3,039,642 9,300,996 (1,180,572) | 10,838,283 27,535,270 (6,144,501) |
| Closing net book value | 9,208,500 | 486,915 | 11,373,571 | 11,160,066 | 32,229,052 |
| At 30 th September 2005 | | | | | |
| Cost Accumulated | 23,672,939 | 699,185 | 14,714,567 | 16,268,027 | 55,354,718 |
| depreciation | (14,464,439) | (212,270) | (3,340,996) | (5,107,961) | (23,125,666) |
| Net book value | 9,208,500 | 486,915 | 11,373,571 | 11,160,066 | 32,229,052 |
| Year ended 30 th September 2004 | | | | | |
| Opening net book value | 6,611,715 | 22,852 | 1,642,430 | 4,277,878 | 12,554,875 |
| Additions | 913,391 | 284,000 | 154,352 | 151,578 | 1,503,321 |
| Prior year adjustments | 530,867 | (161,236) | 392,442 | (525,429) | 236,644 |
| Depreciation charge | (2,249,166) | (21,442) | (321,564) | (864,385) | (3,456,557) |
| Closing net book value | _5,806,807 | 124,174 | 1,867,660 | 3,039,642 | 10,838,283 |
| At 30 th September 2004 | | | | | |
| Cost | 16,056,424 | 362,000 | 3,127,364 | 7,582,000 | 27,127,788 |
| Prior year adjustments Accumulated | 530,867 | (161,236) | 392,442 | (525,429) | 236,644 |
| depreciation | (10,780,484) | (76,590) | (1,652,146) | (4,016,929) | (16,526,149) |
| Net book value | 5,806,807 | 124,174 | 1,867,660 | 3,039,642 | 10,838,283 |

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH SEPTEMBER, 2005 (Expressed in Trinidad and Tobago dollars) (Continued)

8. Deferred capital grants

The College receives monetary grants on an annual basis. These are released to the Income and Expenditure Account over the life of the related asset in the same way that depreciation of assets is charged to the Income and Expenditure Account. Grants to be released in future years are held on the Balance Sheet as deferred capital grants.

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|---|--------------|----------------|
| | \$ | \$ |
| Grant balance as at 30 September | 56,735,322 | 27,777,472 |
| Grants received during the year | 34,813,000 | 52,990,712 |
| Grants due for the year, but not received | 13,767,000 | 5 = |
| Adjustments | - | (16,400,845) |
| Amounts released to the Statement of | | |
| of income and expenditure | (18,156,064) | (7,632,017) |
| | 87,159,258 | 56,735,322 |

The original closing balance disclosed in the 2004 financial statements under Deferred capital grants was \$48,892,257. The revised closing balance of \$56,735,322 occurred as a result of accounting for Deferred capital grants in accordance with IAS 20 – Government Grants and Disclosure of Government Assistance.

| 9. | Interest income | 2005 | 2004 |
|-----|---------------------------|------------------|----------------|
| | | \$ | \$ |
| | Interest on bank accounts | 1,594,506 | 321,276 |
| | | <u>1,594,506</u> | 321,276 |
| 10. | Other income | 2005 | 2004 |
| | A 12 2 C | \$ | \$ |
| | Application fees | 46,173 | - |
| | Donations | 10,395 | |
| | Library fees | 79,072 | 10 <u></u> |
| | Miscellaneous receipts | - | 370,806 |
| | Student guild fees | 1,460 | 5. 11 |
| | Tender fees | 1,550 | - |
| | Other receipts | 391,050 | 217,578 |
| | | <u>529,700</u> | <u>588,384</u> |

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| 11. | Staff costs | 2005 | 2004 |
|-----|---|------------|------------|
| | | \$ | \$ |
| | Salaries, gratuities, allowances and other benefits | 33,067,599 | 20,440,428 |
| | National insurance | 1,033,829 | 906,353 |
| | Pension costs – defined benefit plan | 151,495 | 633,314 |
| | | 34,252,923 | 21,980,095 |

Staff costs were originally disclosed in the 2004 financial statements as \$ 21,211,773. The revised figure of \$21,980,095 reflects accounting for staff costs under the accrual method of accounting.

| 12. General and administrative expenses | 2005 | 2004 |
|--|---|-----------------------------------|
| And the second s | \$ | \$ |
| Included therein are the following items: | | |
| Audit fees | 31,709 | 252,450 |
| Bank charges and interest | 34,102 | 16,227 |
| Board fees | 191,000 | 273,000 |
| Books and periodicals | 1,676,279 | 1,085,177 |
| Hosting of conferences, seminars and other function | 118,632 | 123,278 |
| Overseas travel | 193,905 | 564,182 |
| Office stationery and supplies | 1,078,004 | 540,253 |
| Professional consulting and other fees | 2,295,967 | 4,519,380 |
| Other | 1,587,567 | _568,453 |
| | <u>_7,226,265</u> | _7,942,400 |
| 13. Other operating expenses | 2005 | 2004 |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Included therein are the following items: | | |
| Advertising and promotions | 1,967,557 | 986,297 |
| Local travel | 173,991 | 55,102 |
| | 2,272,614 | 1,449,292 |
| Materials and supplies | _, , | |
| Materials and supplies Other contracted services | 10,035,578 | - |
| | | 5,381,043 |
| Other contracted services | 10,035,578 | 5,381,043 5,276,783 |
| Other contracted services Utilities and telecommunications | 10,035,578 4,500,216 | |
| Other contracted services Utilities and telecommunications Rent | 10,035,578 4,500,216 11,720,386 | 5,276,783 |
| Other contracted services Utilities and telecommunications Rent Repairs and maintenance | 10,035,578 4,500,216 11,720,386 1,983,615 | 5,276,783 697,324 |
| Other contracted services Utilities and telecommunications Rent Repairs and maintenance Security | 10,035,578 4,500,216 11,720,386 1,983,615 1,082,341 | 5,276,783 697,324 1,595,109 |

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14. Related party transactions

Parties are considered to be related if one has the ability to control or exercise significant influence over the other party in making financial or operational decisions.

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning and controlling the activities of the College.

| | 2005 | 2004 |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|
| Key management compensation | | |
| | \$ | \$ |
| Directors' remuneration | 191,000 | 273,000 |

15. Capital management

The College's objectives when managing capital, which is a broader concept than equity on the face of the balance sheet, are:

- To safeguard the College's ability to continue as a going concern so that it can continue to provide returns and benefits for stakeholders; and
- To maintain a strong capital base to support the development of its business.

The College reviews its capital adequacy annually at the Finance Committee and Board Level. The College maintains healthy capital ratios in order to support its business and to maximize value.

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16. Risk management

The College's risk management policies are designed to identify and analyze these risks, set appropriate risk limits and controls, and to monitor the risks and adherence to limits by means of reliable and up-to-date information systems, together with robust corporate governance. The College regularly reviews its risk management policies and systems to reflect changes in markets and emerging best practice. The most important types of risk that the College is exposed to are credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk and other operational risk.

Risk management structure

The Board of Trustees is ultimately responsible for identifying and controlling risks however, there are separate independent bodies responsible for managing and monitoring risks.

Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees is responsible for the overall risk management approach and for approving the risk strategies and principles.

Internal audit

Risk management processes throughout the College are audited periodically by the internal audit function, which examines both the adequacy of the procedures and the College's compliance with the procedures. In addition, internal audit is responsible for the independent review of risk management and the control environment. Internal Audit discusses the results of all assessments with management, and reports its findings and recommendations to the Audit Committee.

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16. Risk management (continued)

Foreign currency risk

The College incurs foreign currency exposure on transactions that are denominated in a currency other than the Trinidad and Tobago dollar. The College ensures that the net exposure is kept to a minimum and is managed by monitoring and, where necessary adjusting the exposure.

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is further mitigated by the subsidies received from the Government in support of operational activities.

Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is financial risk due to uncertain liquidity. It is the risk that the College will encounter difficulty in raising funds to meet commitments. The College might lose liquidity if it experiences sudden unexpected cash outflows, or some other event causes counterparties to avoid trading with the College. The consequence may be the failure to meet obligations. Prudent liquidity risk management implies maintaining sufficient cash and ensuring the availability of funding through an adequate amount of committed resources. The Management of the College mitigates this risk by keeping a substantial portion of its financial assets in liquid form.

Liquidity risk management process

The College's liquidity management process includes:

- Day-to-day funding, managed by monitoring future cash flows to ensure that requirements can be met.
- Keeping a significant portion of its financial assets in liquid form.
- Monitoring balance sheet liquidity ratios against internal requirements.

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16. Risk management (continued)

Liquidity risk (continued)

Fair value of financial assets and liabilities

The College computes the estimated fair value of all financial instruments held at the balance sheet date and separately discloses information where the fair values are different from the carrying values. At 30th September 2005, carrying values approximated their fair values for all classes of financial instruments as follows:

Financial instruments where the carrying values are assumed to approximate to their fair values, due to their short term to maturity include: Cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable and prepayments, and trade payables and accruals.

Operational risk

Operational risk is the risk of loss arising from systems failure, human error, fraud or external events. When controls fail to perform, operational risks can cause damage to reputation, have legal or regulatory implications, or lead to financial loss. The College cannot expect to eliminate all operational risks, but through a controlled framework and by monitoring and responding to potential risks, the College is able to manage the risks. Controls include a periodically reviewed disaster recovery plan and business continuity plan, effective segregation of duties, access, authorization and reconciliation procedures, staff training and development and assessment processes.