

Free Bird Institute Limited

Fiji Islands

25 August 2017

MARKET ANNOUNCEMENT

- Interim Dividend Declaration for the six months ended 30 June 2017

Free Bird Institute Limited's (FBL) Board is pleased to announce that it has today declared an interim dividend of 7 cents per share after the Company performed extremely well in the first half of the year.

The Chairman, Mr Hiroshi Taniguchi highlighted that the first half of the year ended 30 June 2017 proved to be very successful for the Company which was a result of the Company's aggressive marketing on the international arena as a listed Company which saw an increase in the number of students for that period as well.

As highlighted in our last market announcement, the Company recorded an outstanding increase of 82% in its net profit after tax in comparison to the same period last year.

At the end of July, the Company faced its first in-house insurance pay out. The Chairman said, "It was a very unfortunate event which claimed the life of one of our student and severely injuring her 3 year old daughter after they were involved in an accident outside the Skylodge in Nadi. However, I am pleased that our team worked passionately to ensure the successful repatriation of the body of our student and medically evacuating her 3 year old daughter to Japan."

The Chief Financial Officer, Mr Waisale Iowane advised the Board, that the Company had spent a total of \$220,000 in costs in relation to this unfortunate event and a later report will be released to the market once all the costs have been established and finalised. Waisale adds that as advised in the last market announcement, the Company still has the \$1m set aside for any large claim pay-out that it could encounter to ensure business continuity.

The Chairman adds that despite this turn in event, we are still quite confident that our integrated product will continue to do well. He said "We want our shareholders and the market to know that this pay-out has not adversely affected our operations or cash flows at all as we continue to work towards a more stronger finish in the last quarter of 2017".

We thank our shareholders and stakeholders for their extensive support, patience and confidence in FBL.

Yours sincerely



Hiroshi Taniguchi
Chairman



Waisale Iowane
Executive Director



Appendix F: Dividend Declaration

Date of Closure of Registry: 15 September 2017

Date of Ex-Benefit: 6 September 2017

Date of Payment of Dividends: 25 September 2017

	Current – Unaudited Results Six months Ended (30 June 2017)	Previous – Audited Results Financial Year Ended (31 December 2016)
Dividend per share	0.07	0.05
Amount of dividends (\$)	140,000	100,000
Turnover	2,985,093	5,329,717
Income from other sources	51,103	30,498
Income tax expense	(71,773)	(202,091)
Net profit after tax	642,438	824,394

CEO/CFO Comments

Despite the setback that the Company faced in relation to our first major in-house insurance payout, we are confident that our business will continue to grow and outperform our budget forecasts in the last quarter of 2017. As a result of our strong performance and prudential cash flow management, we are still able to pay to our members a return of 7 cents. We further confirm that we still continue to hold the \$1m in term deposit as a precautionary provision for any claim that we might or could encounter in relation to our in-house insurance scheme.



Hiroshi Taniguchi
Chairman



Waisale Iowane
Executive Director