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Summary of Financial Results for the Year Ended March 31, 2023 (Based on Japanese GAAP)

May 12, 2023

Company name: kaonavi, inc.

Listed stock exchange: Tokyo

Stock code: 4435 URL https://corp.kaonavi.jp/en

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Scheduled date of ordinary general meeting of shareholders:

June 22, 2023
Scheduled date to file Securities Report:

June 23, 2023

Scheduled date to commence dividend payments:

Supplementary materials: Yes Meeting for institutional investors and analysts: Yes

(Figures are rounded to the nearest million yen)

1. Financial results for the year ended March 31, 2023 (April 1, 2022 - March 31, 2023)

(1) Operating results (cumulative)

(Percentages show the change from the same period of previous fiscal year)

	Net sales		Net sales Operating profit		fit	Ordinary prof	it	Net profit	
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%	
Year ended March 31, 2023	5,990	33.2	322	85.1	317	93.9	246	17.3	
Year ended March 31, 2022	4,496	32.2	174	_	164	_	210	_	

	Earnings per share	Diluted earnings per share	Net profit / equity	Ordinary profit / total assets	Operation profit / net sales
	Yen	Yen	%	%	%
Year ended March 31, 2023	21.32	20.03	18.3	7.4	5.4
Year ended March 31, 2022	18.30	17.02	19.4	4.7	3.9

(2) Financial position

	Total assets	Net assets	Equity ratio	Net asset per share
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	%	Yen
As of March 31, 2023	4,623	1,491	32.3	128.77
As of March 31, 2022	3,993	1,208	30.3	104.86

Reference: Shareholders' equity March 31, 2023: 1,491 million yen March 31, 2022: 1,208 million yen

(3) Cash flows

	Cash flows from operating activities	Cash flows from investing activities	Cash flows from financing activities	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period
	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen	Millions of yen
Year ended March 31, 2023	816	(134)	(117)	3,400
Year ended March 31, 2022	979	(31)	(68)	2,835

2. Dividends

		Divi	dends per s	hare		Total cash	Dividend payout ratio	Ratio of dividends to net assets
	1Q-end	2Q-end	3Q-end	Fiscal year-end	Total	Dividends (Total)		
	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Yen	Millions of yen	%	%
Year ended March 31, 2022	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	_	_	_
Year ended March 31, 2023	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00	_	_	_
Year ending March 31, 2024 (forecast)	_	0.00	_	0.00	0.00		_	

3. Forecast for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024 (April 1, 2023 - March 31, 2024)

(Percentages show the change from the same period of previous fiscal year)

	Net sales		Adjusted operating	g profit
	Millions of yen	%	Millions of yen	%
Full year	7,390 ~7,510	23.4 ~25.4	720 ~960	51.9 ~102.5

Note: Adjusted operating profit = Operating profit + Stock-based compensation expenses + Amortization of goodwill by acquisition + Other one-time costs

Note: The figures for net sales and adjusted operating profit are shown in a range.

Note: The Company has set its mid-term management policy as follows: "Continuous ARR Growth", "Profitability Improvement", and "Promotion of Non-financial Activities".

As part of the measures for continuous ARR growth, the Company aims to build a human resource data platform that delivers the best UX to customers by adding value through various integrated services centered around the HR database. In the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, the Company intends to expand and evolve the human resource data platform by focusing on developing new features in addition to improving existing features. Also, the Company will explore the possibility of new research and development as well as M&As to create a new business domain.

The low end of net sales is set at 7,390 million yen (+23.4% YoY) based on conservative estimates of new customer acquisition and churn rate, while the high end of net sales is set at 7,510 million yen (+25.4% YoY) based on the assumption of steady growth.

As above, the Company intends to focus on feature development in the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, and therefore gross profit is expected to be in the range of 5,410 million yet to 5,530 million yen, with a profit margin of 73.2% to 73.6% which is the same level as the previous fiscal year.

Additionally, the Company plans to vigorously advance organizational reinforcement and marketing activities. However, since the Company may make flexible and agile investment decisions considering general trends and the competitive landscape of the market, the Company plans to invest in the range of 2,480 million yen to 2,630 million yen for personnel expenses, and 1,510 million yen to 1,560 million yen for marketing-related expenses. As a result, adjusted operating profit is expected to be in the range of 720 million yen to 960 million yen.

The forecasts set out here are based on information currently available to the Company and certain assumptions deemed rational. The Company does not disclose specific figures for operating profit, ordinary profit and net profit.

As separately disclosed in the "Notice Concerning Recording of Extraordinary Loss and the Difference between Results for the Current Year and the Previous Year" dated today, the Company expects to record an extraordinary loss of 86 million yen for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2024, which corresponds to moving expenses and double rent related to the headquarter relocation.

4. Notes

- (1) Changes in accounting policies, changes in accounting estimates, and restatement of prior period financial statements
 - 1) Changes in accounting policies due to revisions to accounting standards and other regulations: None
 - 2) Changes in accounting policies due to other reasons:
 - Changes in accounting estimates:
 Restatement of prior period financial statements:
 None
 - (Changes in accounting estimates)

The Company expects to relocate its headquarters in July 2023. Accordingly, the Company has shortened and changed prospectively the useful lives of fixed assets that are not expected to be used after the relocation. In addition, the period for recording asset retirement obligations related to restoration costs associated with the Company's fixed-term building lease contract has been changed so that the cost is to be incurred by the termination date of the contract.

As a result of this change, compared to the previous method, gross profit decreased by 42,240 thousand yen, and operating profit, ordinary profit, and net profit before income taxes decreased by 110,011 thousand yen each for the current fiscal year.

- (2) Number of shares outstanding (common shares)
 - 1) Total number of issued shares at the end of the period (including treasury shares)

As of March 31, 2023: 11,581,700 shares As of March 31, 2022: 11,518,800 shares

2) Number of treasury stock at the end of period

As of March 31, 2023: 280 shares As of March 31, 2022: 280 shares

3) Average number of shares outstanding during the period

Year ended March 31, 2023: 11,557,249 shares Year ended March 31, 2022: 11,476,005 shares

This report of financial results is out of scope of review procedures conducted by independent auditors.

* Cautionary statement with respect to forward-looking statements

The forecasts above are based on the judgments made in accordance with information currently available. Therefore, forecasts include risks and uncertainties. Actual figures may differ from these forecasts due to subsequent changes in the circumstances.

Quarterly Financial Statements

1. Balance Sheets

As of March 31, 2022 As of March 31, 2023 Assets Current assets Cash and deposits 2,835,157 3,399,662 Accounts receivable - trade 210,235 245,719 13,721 Contract assets 142,938 222,411 Prepaid expenses Other 2.321 2,648 Allowance for doubtful accounts (189)(1,426)3,190,461 3,882,736 Total current assets Non-current assets Property, plant and equipment **Buildings** 199,627 213,806 Accumulated depreciation (142,749) (45,295)Buildings, net 154,331 71,056 Tools, furniture and fixtures 83,813 93,553 Accumulated depreciation (48,121)(75,989)Tools, furniture and fixtures, net 35,692 17,564 Total property, plant and equipment 88,620 190,024 Intangible assets Trademark right 297 221 Software 9,813 5,549 Total intangible assets 10,110 5,770 Investments and other assets Investment securities 52.002 86.097 Guarantee deposits 388,081 376,877 Long-term prepaid expenses 17,182 3,164 Deferred tax assets 145,101 179,648 Total investments and other assets 602,366 645,786 Total non-current assets 802,499 740,176 Total assets 3,992,960 4,622,912

(Thousands of yen)

	As of March 31, 2022	As of March 31, 2023
Liabilities		
Current liabilities		
Accounts payable - trade	57,192	87,270
Current portion of long-term loans payable	127,164	262,381
Accounts payable - other	310,531	199,347
Accrued expenses	194,352	211,134
Income taxes payable	79,429	73,022
Accrued consumption taxes	101,869	102,736
Deposits received	12,655	18,661
Deferred revenue	1,509,403	2,072,597
Contract liabilities	47,556	39,454
Provision for share-based compensation	17,550	<u> </u>
Total current liabilities	2,457,700	3,066,602
Non-current liabilities		
Long-term loans payable	327,381	65,000
Total non-current liabilities	327,381	65,000
Total liabilities	2,785,081	3,131,602
Net assets		
Shareholders' equity		
Capital stock	1,125,259	1,143,777
Capital surplus		
Legal capital surplus	1,115,259	1,133,777
Total capital surplus	1,115,259	1,133,777
Retained earnings		
Other retained earnings		
Retained earnings brought forward	(1,031,614)	(785,217)
Total retained earnings	(1,031,614)	(785,217)
Treasury stock	(1,026)	(1,026)
Total shareholders' equity	1,207,879	1,491,310
Total net assets	1,207,879	1,491,310
Total liabilities and net assets	3,992,960	4,622,912

2. Statements of Income (cumulative)

(Thousands of yen)

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Fiscal year ended March 31, 2022	Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023
4,496,344	5,990,097
1,201,341	1,569,883
3,295,003	4,420,214
3,120,915	4,097,913
174,089	322,301
24	31
250	50
274	81
5,364	4,139
1,535	1,191
3,932	_
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10,833	5,329
163,530	317,053
43,122	27,856
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120,408	289,197
55,442	77,347
(145,101)	(34,547)
(89,658)	42,800
210,066	246,397
	March 31, 2022 4,496,344 1,201,341 3,295,003 3,120,915 174,089 24 250 274 5,364 1,535 3,932 2 10,833 163,530 43,122 43,122 120,408 55,442 (145,101) (89,658)

3. Statements of Changes in Equity

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2022

(Thousands of yen) Valuation and translation Shareholders' equity adjustments Capital surplus Retained earnings Valuation Total Other Total net Total difference on Valuation retained Treasury assets Share Capital stock Legal Total earnings Total available-forand stock holders translation capital retained sale capital Retained equity surplus surplus earnings securities adjustments earnings brought forward Balance at beginning of 1,066,270 1,056,270 960,238 709 960,947 1,056,270 (1,161,509) (1,161,509)(792)709 current period Cumulative effects of changes in accounting (80,170)(80,170)(80,170)(80,170)policies Restated balance 1,066,270 1,056,270 1,056,270 (1,241,679) (1,241,679)(792) 880,068 709 709 880,777 Changes of items during Period Issuance of new shares 58,990 58,990 58,990 117,979 117,979 210,066 Net profit 210,066 210,066 210,066 Purchase of treasury (234)(234)(234)Net changes in items other than (709)(709)(709)shareholders' equity Total changes of items 58,990 58,990 210,066 210,066 327,811 (709) (709) 327,102 58.990 (234)during period Balance at end of current 1,115,259 1,207,879 1,125,259 1,115,259 (1,031,614) (1,031,614) (1,026)1,207,879

Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023

(Thousands of yen)

Shareholders' equity							(Tilous	
		Capital	surplus	Retained	earnings			Total net assets
	Capital stock	Legal capital surplus	Total capital surplus	Other retained earnings Retained earnings brought forward	Total retained earnings	Treasury stock	Total shareholders' equity	
Balance at beginning of current period	1,125,259	1,115,259	1,115,259	(1,031,614)	(1,031,614)	(1,026)	1,207,879	1,207,879
Changes of items during period								
Issuance of new shares	18,517	18,517	18,517				37,034	37,034
Net profit				246,397	246,397		246,397	246,397
Total changes of items during period	18,517	18,517	18,517	246,397	246,397	_	283,431	283,431
Balance at end of current Period	1,143,777	1,133,777	1,133,777	(785,217)	(785,217)	(1,026)	1,491,310	1,491,310

	Fiscal year ended March 31, 2022	Fiscal year ended March 31, 2023
Cash flows from operating activities		
Profit before income taxes	120,408	289,197
Depreciation	58,290	129,662
Guarantee deposits depreciation	18,480	58,531
Interest income	(24)	(31)
Interest expenses	5,364	4,139
Loss (gain) on valuation of investment securities	43,122	27,856
Loss (gain) on sale and retirement of non-current assets	3,932	_
Share issuance cost	1,535	1,191
Miscellaneous income	(28)	_
Increase (decrease) in allowance for doubtful accounts	16	1,236
Increase (decrease) in provision for share-based compensation	20,216	(584)
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable - trade	(31,635)	(35,484)
Decrease (increase) in contract assets	_	(13,721)
Decrease (increase) in prepaid expenses	(10,059)	(88,695)
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable - trade	11,904	30,078
Increase (decrease) in accounts payable - other	162,166	(109,904)
Increase (decrease) in accrued expenses	(16,720)	16,782
Increase (decrease) in accrued consumption taxes	61,464	867
Increase (decrease) in deferred revenue	459,658	563,194
Increase (decrease) in contract liabilities	47,556	(8,101)
Other	34,349	37,161
Subtotal	989,994	903,375
Interest received	24	31
Interest expenses paid	(5,165)	(3,967)
Income taxes paid	(5,615)	(83,162)
Cash flows from operating activities	979,238	816,276
Cash flows from investing activities		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	(10,804)	(24,895)
Purchase of intangible assets	(281)	(303)
Purchase of investment securities	<u>-</u>	(61,951)
Proceeds from guarantee deposits	(19,851)	(48,888)
Proceeds from refund of leasehold deposits	_	1,561
Cash flows from investing activities	(30,936)	(134,476)
Cash flows from financing activities		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Repayments of long-term loans payable	(127,164)	(127,164)
Purchase of treasury shares	(236)	_
Proceeds from issuance of common shares	59,185	9,869
Cash flows from financing activities	(68,215)	(117,295)
Net increase (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents	880,087	564,506
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	1,955,069	2,835,157
Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,835,157	3,399,662