

Current Price: C\$0.42 Fair Value: C\$1.92

## Kidoz Inc. (TSXV: KIDZ / OTC: KDOZF)

# Expecting Record Revenue Despite Potential Weakness in Global Ad Spending

### Sector/Industry: Ad Tech

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Risk\*: 4

## **Highlights**

- In Q1-2022, Kidoz reported record revenue of \$2.3M, up 47% YoY, but 4% lower than our forecast. The company did not disclose performance metrics, but revenue growth continues to come from expanded product offerings from kids under the age of 13, to teens (13-19) and parents, and the implementation of programmatic advertising last year, which allows advertisers to acquire ad space through auctions/bidding.
- Management has started providing guidance; their 2022 revenue forecast is \$19M to \$21M. We are maintaining our 2022 revenue estimate of \$19M.
- Despite stronger revenue, EPS declined YoY, and was 28% lower than our estimate due to lower gross margins, and increased G&A expenses (due to expanded labor force) and software development costs to support growth.
- Gross margins declined YoY (44% to 36%) due to volume discounts offered to advertisers to gain market share. However, based on their pricing projections, management expects gross margins to increase to 40% in subsequent quarters. We believe this is a reasonable estimate as the sector average is 44% (Source: S&P Capital IQ).
- Slower global GDP growth and supply chain disruptions are expected to result in slower growth in consumer spending, and global digital ad spending this year. According to eMarketer, global digital ad spending is expected to grow at a slower pace this year (15.6% vs 29.9% last year). That said, we remain positive on the sector's long-term prospects, driven by rising adoption of smartphones. According to Statista, global digital ad spending is expected to reach US\$413B by 2024, up from US\$163B in 2018 (17% p.a.).
- Underwent a corporate restructure; instead of having two Co-CEOs, the company has decided to have a single CEO. One of the Co-CEOs has been made the company's President. In order to focus equally on North America and Europe, CEO Jason Williams will relocate from the U.K. to Canada. President Eldad Ben Tora continues to be based out of Israel.
- We are expecting continued momentum, and **expecting 50% YoY revenue growth in Q2**. For the full year, we are expecting 52% revenue growth vs 75% in 2021.

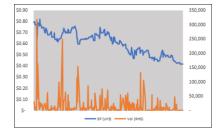
Key Financial Data (FY			
(US\$)	2021	2022E	2023E
Cash	2,078,607	2,943,965	4,890,079
Working Capital	4,536,851	5,356,727	7,526,619
Total Assets	13,925,531	15,299,771	18,289,215
Revenue	12,475,480	19,010,057	25,247,880
Net Income	(190,321)	571,232	1,663,501
EPS	0.00	0.00	0.01

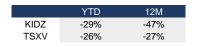
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#### KIDZ Price and Volume (1-year)





#### **Company Data**

52-Week Range	C\$0.42 - C\$0.84
Shares O/S	131M
Market Cap.	C\$55M
Current Yield	N/A
P/E (forward)	N/A
P/B	6x



Record quarterly revenue of \$2.3M, up 47% YoY (4% lower than our estimate)

Gross margins declined YoY (36% vs 44%; our forecast was 41%) due to volume discounts

EPS and FCF declined YOY due to increased G&A expenses (as a result of its expanded workforce), and software

development costs; we are raising our G&A expense forecasts

Healthy balance sheet with \$4M in working capital, and

little debt

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STATEMENTS OF OPE	RATIONS				
Y/E Dec 31	Q1-2020	Q1-2	021 Q1	1-2022	YoY
Revenue	983,979	1,557,	942 2,28	83,974	47%
COGS	539,804	872,	901 1,4	53,079	66%
SG&A Expense	698,338	834,	939 1,40	03,075	20%
EBITDA	(254,163)	(149,8	398) (57	2,180)	-282%
EBITDA (adjusted)	(253,622)	(72,8	377) (36	0,851)	
Net Profit (Loss)	(403,924)	(347,0		1,042)	-111%
EPS	(0.003)		.00)	(0.01)	
		1-2021	Q1-2022		
	OSS	44%	36%		
	BITDA	-10%	-25%		
	BITDA (adjusted)	-5%	-16%		
	3IT	-20%	-32%		
Ne	et	-22%	-32%		
so	G&A	54%	61%		
Sh	nare-based	4.9%	9.3%		
Summary o	f Cash Flows	Q1	-2021	Q1-2022	
Operating		39	93,060	15,881	
Investing		(	2,265)	(6,979)	
Financing		(	5,248)	(7,039)	
Net		- 38	35,547	1,863	
Free Cash F	Flows to Firm (FCF)	39	90,795	8,902	
Liquidity &	Capital Structure	Q1-	2021	Q1-2022	
Cash		1,611	1,592 2	2,080,470	
Working Ca	pital	2,95	1,465 4	1,099,272	
Current Rati	io	-	3.49	3.13	
Total Debt		47	7,650	47,977	
Total Debt /	Capital		0.6%	0.5%	
	Source:	FRC			

## **Stock Options and Warrants**

9.21M options (weighted average exercise price of C0.42), and 0.23M warrants (weighted average exercise price of C0.98) outstanding. None of the options and warrants are in the money.

## **FRC Projections and Valuation**

	2022E (Old)	2022E (New)	2023E (Old)	2023E (New)		
Revenue	\$19,010,057	\$19,010,057	\$25,200,000	\$25,247,880		
EBITDA	\$3,307,026	\$1,278,429	\$4,647,351	\$2,563,451		
Net Income	\$1,847,997	\$571,232	\$2,786,225	\$1,663,501		
EPS	\$0.01	\$0.00	\$0.02	\$0.01		
Source: FRC						

We are maintaining our 2022 and 2023 revenue estimates

However, we are lowering our EPS forecasts as we lowered gross margins and raised G&A expenses



	DCF Valuation		Q2-Q4 2022E	2023E	2024E	2025E	2026E	2027E	Terminal
	Funds Flow from Operations (US\$)		1,616,990	2,269,892	4,308,919	9,743,953	19,412,259	31,067,212	
	Change in Working Capital (US\$)		(667,513)	(223,777)	(705,582)	(1,305,772)	(1,828,245)	(2,469,769)	
As a result, our DCF	Cash from Operations (US\$)		949,477	2,046,114	3,603,337	8,438,181	17,584,014	28,597,443	
valuation declined to	CAPEX (US\$)		(100,000)	(100,000)	(100,000)	(100,000)	(100,000)	(100,000)	
	Free Cash Flow (US\$)		849,477	1,946,114	3,503,337	8,338,181	17,484,014	28,497,443	
\$1.92 per share	Present Value (US\$)		793,072	1,615,016	2,584,270	5,467,323	10,190,420	14,764,009	160,072,943
(previously \$2.05)									
(proviously \$2.00)	Discount Rate	12.5%							
	Terminal Growth	3%							
	Present Value (US\$)	\$195,487,054							
	Cash - Debt (US\$)	\$2,032,493							
	Fair Value (US\$)	\$197,519,547							
	Shares O/S	131,424,989							
	Value per Share (C\$)	\$1.92							
		\$1.5E	0.1						

Source: FRC

We are maintaining our BUY rating, and adjusting our fair value estimate to \$1.92 per share (previously \$2.05 per share). Although we are expecting relatively slow revenue growth this year (amid weaker global ad spending), we are expecting the company to set records in Q2.

## Risks

The following risks, though not exhaustive, may cause our estimates to differ from actual results:

Maintaining our risk rating of 4

- The company is operating in a highly competitive space.
- Unfavorable changes in regulations.
- Ability to attract publishers and brands will be key to long-term growth.
- Exchange rate.



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INCOME STATEMENT (in US\$) - YE Dec 31st	2021	2022E	2023E
Total Revenue	12,475,480	19,010,057	25,247,880
	12,470,400	13,010,007	20,247,000
Cost of Sales	7,143,148	11,400,000	15,148,728
Gross Profit	5,332,332	7,610,057	10,099,152
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Expenses			
Selling & Marketing	641,393	893,473	1,009,915
Development	1,678,848	2,066,556	2,479,867
Stock Awareness Program	402,845	410,648	492,778
Stock Based Compensation	660,266	639,992	767,990
Compensation, Salaries & Consultation	701,964	1,474,124	1,768,949
G&A	604,882	846,835	1,016,202
EBITDA	642,134	1,278,429	2,563,451
Amortization & Donrosistion	606 201	606 201	606 204
Amortization & Depreciation EBIT	606,391 <b>35,743</b>	606,391 <b>672,038</b>	606,391 <b>1,957,060</b>
EDIT	55,745	072,038	1,957,000
Interest & Bank Charges	241	-	-
Exchange Rate and Unusual Items	(9,628)	-	-
EBT	26,356	672,038	1,957,060
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Income Taxes	216,677	100,806	293,559
Net Earnings for the period	(190,321)	571,232	1,663,501
EPS	0.00	0.00	0.01
BALANCE SHEET 'in US\$)- YE Dec 31st	2021	2022E	2023
Assets			
Cash	2,078,607	2,943,965	4,890,07
Accounts receivable	6,627,864	7,622,044	9,146,45
Prepaid expenses	105,468	126,562	151,87
Current Assets	8,811,939	10,692,570	14,188,40
Property and equipment	20,523	20,523	20,52
Goodwill, intangible assets, and other	5,093,069	4,586,678	4,080,28
Fotal Assets	13,925,531	15,299,771	18,289,21
iabilities & Shareholders' Equity			
Accounts payables & accrued liabilities	4,243,020	5,303,775	6,629,71
_ease	32,068	32,068	32,06
Current Liabilities	4,275,088	5,335,843	6,661,78
oans payable	47,248	-	
Deferred tax liability	210,499	-	
ease	41,999	41,999	41,99
Shareholder's Equity			
Share Capital	49,964,919	49,964,919	49,964,91
Foreign Currency Translation	24,580	24,580	Z4.00
Foreign Currency Translation Deficit	24,580 (40,638,802)	24,580 (40,067,570)	24,58 (38,404,069)



STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (in US\$)- YE Dec 31st	2021	2022E	2023E
Operating Activities			
Net earnings for the period	(190,321)	571,232	1,663,501
Items not involving cash			
Depreciation	606,391	606,391	606,391
Gain on derivative liability	(60,207)		
Deferred income tax expense	210,499	-	-
Unrealized foreign exchange loss	134	-	-
Stock Based Compensation	660,266	-	-
Shares issued for services	179,293	-	-
Stock awareness program	83,572	-	-
	1,489,627	1,177,623	2,269,892
Accounts Receivable	(2,694,324)	(994,180)	(1,524,409)
Prepaid Expenses	(15,498)	(21,094)	(25,312)
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2,071,728	803,008	1,325,944
Changes in working capital	(638,094)	(212,265)	(223,777)
Cash from (used in) operations	851,533	965,358	2,046,114
Financing activities			
Proceeds from secured borrowings, net	200,000	-	-
Government Loan	(200,000)	-	-
Payment on operating lease liabitilies	(29,851)	-	-
Options / Warrants	31,264	-	-
Cash provided by financing activities	1,413	-	-
Investing activities	(0.450)	(400.000)	(400.000)
Acquisition of equipment/subsidiary	(8,152)	(100,000)	(100,000)
Long-term cash equivalent	7,768	-	-
Cash used in investing activities	(384)	(100,000)	(100,000)



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