UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 10, 2020



Daktronics, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

South Dakota

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

0-23246

(Commission File Number)

46-0306862

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

201 Daktronics Drive Brookings, SD 57006

(Address of principal executive office, and zip code)

(605) 692-0200

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Not Applicable

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- o Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- o Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class	Trading Symbol(s)	Name of each exchange on which registered
Common Stock, No Par Value	DAKT	NASDAQ Global Select Market
Preferred Stock Purchase Rights	DAKT	NASDAQ Global Select Market

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company o

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act. o

Section 2 - Financial Information

Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition

On June 10, 2020 Daktronics, Inc. (the "Registrant") issued a press release announcing its financial results for fiscal 2020 fourth quarter and year ended May 2, 2020. A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

The information furnished in this report, including the exhibit shall not be incorporated by reference into Daktronics' filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933 and shall not be deemed "filed" with the SEC for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934.

Section 9 – Financial Statements and Exhibits

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits:

(d) Exhibits. The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Report:

99.1 Press Release dated June 10, 2020 issued by Registrant regarding fiscal 2020 fourth quarter and year end results.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

DAKTRONICS, INC.

By: /s/ Sheila M. Anderson Sheila M. Anderson, Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 10, 2020

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Press Release dated June 10, 2020 issued by Registrant regarding fiscal 2020 fourth quarter and year end results.



Daktronics, Inc. Announces Fiscal Year and Fourth Quarter 2020 Results

Brookings, S.D., June 10, 2020 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Daktronics, Inc. (NASDAQ - DAKT) today reported fiscal year and fourth quarter 2020 results. Daktronics reported fiscal year 2020 net sales of \$608.9 million, operating loss of \$0.2 million, net income of \$0.5 million, and earnings per diluted share of \$0.01. This compares to net sales of \$569.7 million, operating loss of \$4.7 million, and net loss of \$1.0 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share for fiscal 2019. Fiscal 2020 orders were \$620.8 million compared to \$608.9 million for fiscal 2019.

Daktronics reported fiscal 2020 fourth quarter net sales of \$126.1 million, operating loss of \$3.5 million, and net loss of \$1.1 million, or \$0.02 per diluted share, compared to net sales of \$127.8 million, operating loss of \$10.3 million, and net loss of \$10.8 million, or \$0.24 per diluted share, for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. Fiscal 2020 fourth quarter orders were \$147.2 million compared to \$162.5 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. Product backlog at the end of the fiscal 2020 fourth quarter was \$212 million, compared to a backlog of \$202 million a year earlier and \$187 million at the end of the third quarter of fiscal 2020.

Cash flow provided by operating activities for the fiscal year ended May 2, 2020 was \$10.8 million, compared to \$29.5 million in fiscal 2019. Free cash flow, defined as cash provided from or used in operating activities less net investment in property and equipment, was a negative \$7.0 million for fiscal 2020, as compared to a positive free cash flow of \$12.9 million for fiscal 2019. Net investment in property and equipment was \$17.8 million for fiscal 2020, as compared to \$16.7 million for fiscal 2019. Cash, restricted cash, and marketable securities at the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 were \$41.6 million, which compares to \$62.1 million at the end of the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. At the end of fiscal year 2020, we had \$15 million borrowed on our line of credit.

Fourth Quarter Fiscal 2020 Consolidated Financial Results

Orders for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 decreased 9.4 percent as compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. Orders increased in the Live Events, High School Park and Recreation, and Transportation business units and decreased in the Commercial and International business units. The increase in the Live Events business unit was due to an increase in the number projects for professional sports stadiums and arena venues. Transportation orders grew due to increased state procurement project activity. The Commercial and International business units observed a decrease in orders mainly in the out-of-home ("OOH") market as advertising spend contracted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The volatility of order timing for large projects and global accounts varies according to the needs of the customer and is the primary cause of the change in order volume.

Net sales for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 decreased by 1.3 percent as compared to the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. Net sales increased in the Live Events, High School Park and Recreation, and Transportation business units and decreased in the Commercial and International business units. The change in sales primarily relates to fluctuations in the timing of order bookings, and related conversion to sales, including some shipping and onsite delays caused by COVID-19.

Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 22.7 percent for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 as compared to 19.1 percent a year earlier. The increase in gross profit percentage was primarily due to lower personnel related costs as we adjusted for reduced demand during COVID-19 stay at home orders, the non-recurrence of a business combination charge in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019 and lower warranty charges. Warranty as a percent of sales improved to 1.6 percent of sales as compared to 2.2 percent last year. Operating expense for the fourth quarter of 2020 was \$32.1 million, compared to \$34.7 million for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019. Operating loss as a percentage of sales was 2.7 percent for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 as compared to an operating loss as a percentage of sales of 8.0 percent for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2019.

The provision for income taxes during the fourth quarter of our fiscal reporting period is calculated based on actual results for the full fiscal year to income or loss, excluding unusual or infrequently occurring discrete items for the reporting period. Our effective tax rate was 66.9 percent and negative 1.3 percent for the fourth quarter of fiscal 2020 and fiscal 2019, respectively.

Fiscal 2020 Consolidated Financial Results

Orders for fiscal 2020 increased by 2.0 percent as compared to fiscal 2019. Orders increased in the Live Events, High School Park and Recreation, and Transportation business units and decreased in the Commercial and International business units. Live Events orders increase was primarily due to the increase in the number of projects for college and university venues, minor league and professional sports stadiums, and arena venues. Transportation orders grew as demand for intelligent transportation systems increased as state transportation departments and private public partnerships continue to invest in technology to better inform travelers, manage transport systems, and collect revenues. Commercial orders decreased primarily due to a decrease of orders in our spectacular and OOH markets. International business unit orders were down primarily due to timing of large orders and the delay of orders due to COVID-19. Each business unit's orders were impacted by the additional week in fiscal 2020.

Net sales for fiscal 2020 increased 6.9 percent as compared to fiscal 2019. Net sales increased in the Commercial, Live Events, High School Park and Recreation, and Transportation business units and remained relatively flat in the International business unit. This change in sales correlates to order levels noted above, the additional week in fiscal 2020, and to the timing of converting orders and backlog into sales. The timing of order conversion is based on customer driven delivery schedules.

Gross profit as a percentage of net sales was 22.8 percent for fiscal 2020 as compared to 22.9 percent a year earlier. Warranty as a percent of sales improved to 1.9 percent of sales as compared to 2.3 percent last year. Operating expenses for fiscal 2020 were \$138.9 million as compared to \$135.0 million for fiscal 2019. The increase in total operating expenses was primarily attributable to an increase in selling and product development expenses. Operating margin improved to breakeven as a percent of sales for fiscal 2020 as compared to a loss of 0.8 percent for fiscal 2019.

Our fiscal 2020 tax benefit is the result of permanent tax credits exceeding a valuation allowance. The effective tax rate for fiscal 2019 was 80.6 percent and significantly different from the current year as the fiscal 2019 effective income tax rate was impacted by one-time discrete adjustments of \$3.2 million for the release of valuation allowances and unrecognized tax benefits.

Reece Kurtenbach, chairman, president and chief executive officer, stated, "As we entered into fiscal 2020, we focused on winning more orders through existing and new markets and sales channels, developing and deploying newly designed solutions and advanced manufacturing techniques, and managing capacity and spend. We achieved these goals. Our investments in technology yielded additional features in our control systems and broadened our lineup of displays which contributed to the second highest level of order volume in our company's history. This order level is a testament of our continued leadership in the marketplace as customers choose Daktronics for our broad range of solutions, the reliability of our products, and our commitment to serve them over the lifetime of their system. Significant projects for fiscal 2020 included Texas Rangers where we provided a complete audiovisual control solution throughout the park and at the San Jose Airport where we provided displays for the nation's first all-digital airport advertising network.

"To support our long-term technology advancement strategies, we participated in a Series A investment in X Display Company ("XDC"). XDC creates and owns leading intellectual property and capabilities in microLED mass transfer technology. This investment supports our line of narrow pixel pitch LED displays and will enable solutions to move into the realm of less than 1-millmeter pixel spacing."

Outlook

Kurtenbach continued, "In March 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of COVID-19 a global pandemic, and in the following weeks, many countries and U.S. states and localities issued lock down orders impacting businesses globally. Like many other companies, the pandemic and related social reactions have impacted our business and have created an unprecedented and challenging time. Our growth-oriented focus of investing in the development of sales channels and new products for long-term success has turned to reacting to the new near-term realities of this uncertain business environment. We have taken actions to reduce costs and to focus on key priorities to position ourselves for a strong recovery when the crisis is over. However, the ensuing depth and length of impact to the economy and our customers reactions to the environment create uncertainties predicting fiscal 2021 opportunities.

"The market's increasing adoption and use of digital solutions, along with our new technology releases, cause us to remain positive on the overall future of our business and growth in the industry."

Webcast Information

The company will host a conference call and webcast to discuss its financial results today at 10:00 am (Central Time). This call will be broadcast live at http://investor.daktronics.com and be available for replay shortly after the event.

About Daktronics

Daktronics has strong leadership positions in, and is the world's largest supplier of, large screen video displays, electronic scoreboards, LED text and graphics displays, and related control systems. The company excels in the control of display systems, including those that require integration of multiple complex displays showing real-time information, graphics, animation, and video. Daktronics designs, manufactures, markets and services display systems for customers around the world in four domestic business units: Live Events, Commercial, High School Park and Recreation and Transportation, and one International business unit. For more information, visit the company's website at: www.daktronics.com, email the company at investor@daktronics.com, call (605) 692-0200 or toll-free (800) 843-5843 in the United States, or write to the company at 201 Daktronics Dr., P.O. Box 5128, Brookings, S.D. 57006-5128.

Safe Harbor Statement

Cautionary Notice: In addition to statements of historical fact, this news release contains forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 and is intended to enjoy the protection of that Act. These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's expectations or beliefs concerning future events. The Company cautions that these and similar statements involve risk and uncertainties which could cause actual results to differ materially from our expectations, including, but not limited to, changes in economic and market conditions, management of growth, timing and magnitude of future contracts, fluctuations in margins, the introduction of new products and technology, the impact of adverse weather conditions, and other risks noted in the company's SEC filings, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for its 2019 fiscal year. Forward-looking statements are made in the context of information available as of the date stated. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise such statements to reflect new circumstances or unanticipated events as they occur.

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Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Operations (in thousands, except per share amounts) (unaudited)

		Three Months Ended				Twelve Months Ended				
		May 2, 2020		April 27, 2019		May 2, 2020		April 27, 2019		
Net sales	\$	126,108	\$	127,755	\$	608,932	\$	569,704		
Cost of sales		97,482		103,334		470,232		439,410		
Gross profit		28,626		24,421		138,700		130,294		
Operating expenses:										
Selling		14,876		16,608		65,902		64,648		
General and administrative		8,495		9,132		35,193		34,817		
Product design and development		8,709		8,946		37,772		35,557		
	-	32,080		34,686		138,867		135,022		
Operating loss		(3,454)		(10,265)		(167)		(4,728)		
Nonoperating income (expense):										
Interest income		141		318		805		1,031		
Interest expense		(53)		(74)		(106)		(160)		
Other (expense) income, net		111		(664)		(541)	_	(1,087)		
Loss before income taxes		(3,255)		(10,685)		(9)		(4,944)		
Income tax (benefit) expense		(2,176)		134		(500)		(3,986)		
Net (loss) income	\$	(1,079)	\$	(10,819)	\$	491	\$	(958)		
Weighted average shares outstanding:										
Basic		44,685		45,139		45,031		44,926		
Diluted		44,685		45,139		45,316		44,926		
Earnings (loss) per share:										
Basic	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.24)	\$	0.01	\$	(0.02)		
Diluted	\$	(0.02)	\$	(0.24)	\$	0.01	\$	(0.02)		
Cash dividends declared per share	\$	0.05	\$	0.07	\$	0.20	\$	0.28		

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Balance Sheets

(in thousands) (unaudited)

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ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 40,398	\$ 35,383		
Restricted cash	14	359		
Marketable securities	1,230	26,344		
Accounts receivable, net	72,577	65,487		
Inventories	86,803	78,832		
Contract assets	35,467	33,704		
Current maturities of long-term receivables	3,519	2,300		
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	9,629	8,319		
Income tax receivables	548	1,087		
Property and equipment and other assets available for sale	1,817	1,858		
Total current assets	252,002	253,673		
Property and equipment, net	67,484	65,314		
Long-term receivables, less current maturities	1,114	1,214		
Goodwill	7,743	7,889		
Intangibles, net	3,354	4,906		
Investment in affiliates and other assets	27,683	5,052		
Deferred income taxes	13,271	11,168		
TOTAL ASSETS	372,651	349,216		
LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
CURRENT LIABILITIES:				
Accounts payable	47,834	44,873		
Contract liabilities	50,897	47,178		
Accrued expenses	36,626	32,061		
Warranty obligations	9,764	9,492		
Income taxes payable	844	468		
Total current liabilities	145,965	134,072		
Long-term warranty obligations	15,860	14,978		
Long-term contract liabilities	10,707	10,053		
Other long-term obligations	22,105	1,339		
Long-term income tax payable	582	578		
Deferred income taxes	452	533		
Total long-term liabilities	49,706	27,481		
TOTAL LIABILITIES	195,671	161,553		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:				
Common stock	60,010	57,699		
Additional paid-in capital	44,627	42,561		
Retained earnings	85,090	93,593		
Treasury stock, at cost	(7,470)	(1,834)		
Accumulated other comprehensive loss	(5,277)	(4,356)		
TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	176,980	187,663		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	\$ 372,651	\$ 349,216		

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Year Ended				
	May 2, 2020		April 27, 2019		
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:					
Net income (loss)	\$ 491	\$	(958)		
Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities:					
Depreciation and amortization	17,718		18,635		
Gain on sale of property, equipment and other assets	(35)		(441)		
Share-based compensation	2,265		2,479		
Contingent consideration adjustment	_		286		
Equity in loss of affiliate	741		844		
Provision for doubtful accounts	(99)		194		
Deferred income taxes, net	(2,183)		(3,379)		
Change in operating assets and liabilities	(8,090)		11,886		
Net cash provided by operating activities	10,808		29,546		
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:					
Purchases of property and equipment	(18,091)		(17,268)		
Proceeds from sales of property, equipment and other assets	322		607		
Purchases of marketable securities			(25,337)		
Proceeds from sales or maturities of marketable securities	25,162		33,706		
Purchases of and loans to equity investment	(11,664)		(1,300)		
Acquisitions, net of cash acquired	(11,004)		(2,250)		
Net cash used in investing activities	(4,271)		(11,842)		
Net Cash used in investing activities	(4,2/1)		(11,042		
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:					
Borrowings on notes payable	15,000		_		
Principal payments on long-term obligations	(2,149)		(450)		
Dividends paid	(8,994)		(12,554)		
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	_		1,318		
Payments for common shares repurchased	(5,636)		_		
Tax payments related to RSU issuances	(199)		(246)		
Net cash used in financing activities	(1,978)		(11,932)		
EFFECT OF EXCHANGE RATE CHANGES ON CASH	111		215		
NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED					
CASH	4,670		5,987		
CASH, CASH EQUIVALENTS AND RESTRICTED CASH:					
Beginning of period	35,742		29,755		
		đ	35,742		
End of period	\$ 40,412	\$			

Daktronics, Inc. and Subsidiaries Net Sales and Orders by Business Unit

(in thousands) (unaudited)

	Three Months Ended					Twelve Months Ended								
		May 2, 2020	A	April 27, 2019		Dollar Change	Percent Change		May 2, 2020	Α	April 27, 2019		Dollar Change	Percent Change
Net sales:														
Commercial	\$	32,061	\$	35,036	\$	(2,975)	(8.5)%	\$	152,627	\$	148,833	\$	3,794	2.5 %
Live Events		37,395		36,386		1,009	2.8		196,591		170,952		25,639	15.0
High School Park and Recreation		20,981		16,689		4,292	25.7		96,414		91,187		5,227	5.7
Transportation		16,875		13,767		3,108	22.6		70,139		64,391		5,748	8.9
International		18,796		25,877		(7,081)	(27.4)		93,161		94,341		(1,180)	(1.3)
	\$	126,108	\$	127,755	\$	(1,647)	(1.3)%	\$	608,932	\$	569,704	\$	39,228	6.9 %
Orders:														
Commercial	\$	27,123	\$	38,955	\$	(11,832)	(30.4)%	\$	146,182	\$	162,592	\$	(16,410)	(10.1)%
Live Events		54,373		50,414		3,959	7.9		203,834		179,217		24,617	13.7
High School Park and Recreation		26,236		24,211		2,025	8.4		100,088		98,139		1,949	2.0
Transportation		28,063		18,323		9,740	53.2		83,473		73,059		10,414	14.3
International		11,374		30,582		(19,208)	(62.8)		87,201		95,873		(8,672)	(9.0)
	\$	147,169	\$	162,485	\$	(15,316)	(9.4)%	\$	620,778	\$	608,880	\$	11,898	2.0 %

Reconciliation of Cash Flow Provided by Operating Activities to Free Cash Flow

(in thousands)(unaudited)

	Twelve Months Ended					
	May 2, 2020		April 27, 2019			
Net cash provided by operating activities	\$ 10,808	\$	29,546			
Purchases of property and equipment	(18,091)		(17,268)			
Proceeds from sales of property, equipment and other assets	322		607			
Free cash flow	\$ (6,961)	\$	12,885			

In evaluating its business, Daktronics considers and uses free cash flow as a key measure of its operating performance. The term free cash flow is not defined under U.S. generally accepted accounting principles ("GAAP") and is not a measure of operating income, cash flows from operating activities or other GAAP figures and should not be considered alternatives to those computations. Free cash flow is intended to provide information that may be useful for investors when assessing period to period results.