# **UNITED STATES** SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 10-0** 

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	For the quantum of th	uarterly period ended March 31, 20	24	
		or		
	TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SE	CTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE	SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934	
		ion period from to		
	Comr	nission File Number: <b>001-39826</b>		
	Banzai	International,	Inc.	
		of Registrant as specified in its Ch		
	Delaware		85-3118980	
	(State or other jurisdiction of		(I.R.S. Employer	
	incorporation or organization) 435 Ericksen Ave, Suite 250		Identification No.)	
	Bainbridge Island, Washington		98110	
	(Address of principal executive offices)		(Zip Code)	
	(Registrant's	(206) 414-1777 telephone number, including area	code)	
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ecurities registered pursu	ant to Section 12(b) of the Act:	Trading		
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	on stock, par value \$0.0001 per share whole warrant exercisable for one share of Class A	BNZI BNZIW	The Nasdaq Global Market The Nasdaq Capital Market	
common s	tock at an exercise price of \$11.50			
ndicate by check mark w	whether the Registrant: (1) has filed all reports red	uired to be filed by Section 13	or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the	<u>a</u>
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3232.405 of this chapter	during the preceding 12 months (or for such sho	orter period that the Registrant	was required to submit such files). YES $\boxtimes$ NO $\square$	
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	ompany, indicate by check mark if the registrant h dards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the E		ed transition period for complying with any new or revised	i
ndicate by check mark w	whether the registrant is a shell company (as defin	ed in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchan	ge Act). YES □ NO 🗵	
	whether the registrant has filed all documents and ation of securities under a plan confirmed by a co		Sections 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of	1934
=	tstanding of each of the registrant's classes of con		per share, as of May 10, 2024:	
	ommon Stock - 19,322,460 shares			
Class B Co	mmon Stock - 2,311,134 shares			
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# PART I—FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets

	March 31, 2024 (Unaudited)		December 31, 2023	
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash	\$	1,026,932	\$	2,093,718
Accounts receivable, net of allowance for credit losses of \$3,557 and \$5,748, respectively		34,670		105,049
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		1,073,914		741,155
Total current assets		2,135,516		2,939,922
Property and equipment, net		3,080		4,644
Goodwill		2,171,526		2,171,526
Operating lease right-of-use assets		90,308		134,013
Other assets		38,381		38,381
Total assets		4,438,811		5,288,486
LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' DEFICIT				
Current liabilities:				
Accounts payable		8.336.909		6,439,863
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities		3,862,714		5,194,240
Convertible notes (Yorkville)		3,064,000		1,766,000
Convertible notes - related party		5,004,000		2,540,091
Convertible notes  Convertible notes		3,709,889		2,693,841
Notes payable		6,948,710		6,659,787
Notes payable - related party		3,082,650		2,505,137
Deferred underwriting fees		4,000,000		4,000,000
Deferred fee		4,000,000		500,000
Warrant liability		233,000		641,000
Warrant liability - related party		460,000		575,000
Earnout liability		37,125		59,399
,				,
Due to related party		67,118		67,118 2,000,000
GEM commitment fee liability Deferred revenue		1 245 206		1,214,096
		1,245,306		
Operating lease liabilities, current Total current liabilities		158,965		234,043
Total current fiabilities		35,206,386		37,089,615
Other long-term liabilities		75,000		75,000
Total liabilities		35,281,386		37,164,615
Commitments and contingencies (Note 14)				
Stockholders' deficit:				
Common stock, \$0.0001 par value, 275,000,000 shares authorized and 20,221,589 and 16,019,256 issued and outstanding at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively (Note 15)		2,022		1.602
Preferred stock, \$0.0001 par value, 75,000,000 shares authorized, 0 shares issued and outstanding at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023				
Additional paid-in capital		20,421,999		14,888,593
Accumulated deficit		(51,266,596)		(46,766,324
Total stockholders' deficit		(30,842,575)		(31,876,129
Total liabilities and stockholders' deficit	\$	4,438,811	\$	5,288,486
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# BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Operations

For the Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 2023 Operating income: Revenue \$ 1,079,472 1,177,061 Cost of revenue 381,380 412,226 698,092 764,835 Gross profit Operating expenses: General and administrative expenses 4,308,929 3,170,063 Depreciation expense 1,564 2,404 Total operating expenses 4,310,493 3,172,467 Operating loss (3,612,401)(2,407,632)Other expenses (income): GEM settlement fee expense 200,000 Other income, net (4,118)(62,538)Interest income (111)(10)Interest expense 451,399 537,878 Interest expense - related party 577,513 383,284 Gain on extinguishment of liability (527,980)Loss on debt issuance 171,000 Change in fair value of warrant liability (408,000)Change in fair value of warrant liability - related party (115,000)Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity 22,861 Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity - related party 303,139 Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities 32,415 Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities - related party 137,285 Change in fair value of convertible notes 544,000 Total other expenses, net 888,804 1,354,213 Loss before income taxes (4,501,205)(3,761,845)Income tax (benefit) expense (933)3,277 Net loss (4,500,272)(3,765,122)Net loss per share Basic and diluted (0.59)(0.26)Weighted average common shares outstanding Basic and diluted 17,355,609 6,382,180

# BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Stockholders' Deficit for the Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 and 2023

	Series A P		d	Commo	n Sto	ock	Additiona l Paid-in-	Accumulat ed	Total Stockholde rs'
	Shares	Amo	ount	Shares	Amount		Capital	Deficit	Deficit
Balance December 31, 2023				16,019,25			14,888,5	(46,766,32	(31,876,12
	_	\$	_	6	\$	1,602	\$ 93	\$ 4)	\$ 9)
Conversion of convertible notes - related party							2,540,00		
	_		—	890,611		89	2	_	2,540,091
Shares issued to Yorkville for convertible notes							1,666,77		
	_		_	2,233,735		223	7	_	1,667,000
Shares issued to Yorkville for commitment fee				710,025		71	499,929		500,000
Shares issued to Roth for advisory fee	_		_	175,000		18	278,815	_	278,833
Shares issued to GEM	_		_	139,470		14	99,986	_	100,000
Shares issued for marketing expense	_		_	153,492		15	194,920		194,935
Forfeiture of sponsor shares	_		_	(100,000)		(10)	10	_	_
Stock-based compensation	_		_	_		_	252,967	_	252,967
Net loss	_		_	_		_	_	(4,500,272)	(4,500,272)
Balance March 31, 2024				20,221,58			20,421,9	(51,266,59	(30,842,57
		\$		9	\$	2,022	\$ 99	\$ 6)	<b>\$</b> 5)

	Series A P		ed	Commo	n Sto	ck	Additiona l Paid-in-	Accumulat ed	Total Stockholde rs'
	Shares	Amo	ount	Shares	Shares Amount		Capital	Deficit	Deficit
Balance December 31, 2022							8,245,35	(32,360,06	(24,114,05
	_	\$	_	6,445,599	\$	645	\$ 9	\$ 2)	\$ 8)
Exercise of stock options	_		_	8,538		1	5,542	_	5,543
Stock-based compensation	_		_	_		_	402,448	_	402,448
Net loss	_		_	_		_	_	(3,765,122)	(3,765,122)
Balance March 31, 2023							8,653,34	(36,125,18	(27,471,18
		\$		6,454,137	\$	646	\$ 9	\$ 4)	<b>\$</b> 9)

# BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. **Unaudited Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flow**

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,			
		2024	20	023
Cash flows from operating activities:				
Net loss	\$	(4,500,272) \$		(3,765,122)
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:				
Depreciation expense		1,564		2,404
Provision for credit losses on accounts receivable		(2,191)		(68,285)
Non-cash share issuance for marketing expenses		48,734		_
Non-cash settlement of GEM commitment fee		200,000		_
Non-cash interest expense		374,944		151,316
Non-cash interest expense - related party		87,758		90,422
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs		30,027		149,798
Amortization of debt discount and issuance costs - related party		489,755		292,862
Amortization of operating lease right-of-use assets		43,705		43,086
Stock based compensation expense		252,967		402,448
Gain on extinguishment of liability		(527,980)		_
Loss on debt issuance		171,000		_
Change in fair value of warrant liability		(408,000)		_
Change in fair value of warrant liability - related party		(115,000)		_
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity		_		22,861
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity - related party		_		303,139
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities		_		32,415
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities - related party		_		137,285
Change in fair value of convertible promissory notes		544,000		_
Changes in operating assets and liabilities:				
Accounts receivable		72,570		74,946
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		(186,558)		(31,969)
Deferred offering costs		_		(127,054)
Accounts payable		1,897,046		1,175,710
Deferred revenue		31,210		103,164
Accrued expenses		(524,713)		(200,224)
Operating lease liabilities		(75,078)		(68,373)
Earnout liability		(22,274)		(200,000)
Net cash used in operating activities		(2,116,786)		(1,479,171)
Cash flows from financing activities:		(, ,,,,,,		(,, . )
Payment of GEM commitment fee		(1,200,000)		_
Proceeds from issuance of convertible notes, net of issuance costs		2,250,000		_
Proceeds from issuance of convertible notes, net of issuance costs - related party				1,500,000
Proceeds from issuance of common stock		_		5,543
Net cash provided by financing activities		1,050,000		1,505,543
Net (decrease) / increase in cash		(1,066,786)		26,372
Cash at beginning of period		2,093,718		1,023,499
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Cash at end of period	\$	1,026,932 \$		1,049,871
Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information:				
Cash paid for interest		44,814		234,336
Non-cash investing and financing activities				
Shares issued to Roth for advisory fee		278,833		_
Shares issued to GEM		100,000		_
Shares issued for marketing services		194,935		_
Settlement of GEM commitment fee		200,000		
Shares issued to Yorkville for commitment fee		500,000		_
Issuance of promissory note - GEM		1,000,000		_
Conversion of convertible notes - Yorkville		1,667,000		_
Conversion of convertible notes - related party		2,540,091		_

# BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC. Unaudited Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

## 1. Organization

#### The Business

Banzai International, Inc. (the "Company" or "Banzai") was incorporated in Delaware on September 30, 2015. Banzai is a leading enterprise SaaS Video Engagement platform used by marketers to power webinars, trainings, virtual events, and on-demand video content.

## Close of the Merger

On December 14, 2023 (the "Closing Date"), 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc. ("7GC"), our predecessor company, consummated the business combination pursuant to the Agreement and Plan of Merger and Reorganization, dated as of December 8, 2022 (the "Original Merger Agreement"), by and among 7GC, Banzai International, Inc. ("Legacy Banzai"), 7GC Merger Sub I, Inc., an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of 7GC ("First Merger Sub"), and 7GC Merger Sub II, LLC, a direct wholly owned subsidiary of 7GC ("Second Merger Sub"), as amended by the Amendment to Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of August 4, 2023 (the "Merger Agreement Amendment" and, together with the Original Merger Agreement, the "Merger Agreement"), by and between 7GC and Legacy Banzai.

Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, a business combination between 7GC and Legacy Banzai was effected through (a) the merger of First Merger Sub with and into Legacy Banzai, with Legacy Banzai surviving as a wholly-owned subsidiary of 7GC (Legacy Banzai, in its capacity as the surviving corporation of the merger, the "Surviving Corporation") (the "First Merger") and (b) the subsequent merger of the Surviving Corporation with and into Second Merger Sub, with Second Merger Sub being the surviving entity of the Second Merger, which ultimately resulted in Legacy Banzai becoming a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of 7GC (the "Second Merger" and, together with the First Merger, the "Mergers" and, collectively with the other transactions described in the Merger Agreement, the "Merger"). On the Closing Date, and in connection with the closing of the Merger (the "Closing"), 7GC changed its name to Banzai International, Inc.

Although 7GC was the legal acquirer of Legacy Banzai in the merger, Legacy Banzai is deemed to be the accounting acquirer, and the historical financial statements of Legacy Banzai became the basis for the historical financial statements of the Company upon the closing of the merger.

As a result, the financial statements included here reflect (i) the historical operating results of Legacy Banzai prior to the merger; (ii) the combined results of 7GC and Legacy Banzai following the close of the merger; (iii) the assets and liabilities of Legacy Banzai at their historical cost and (iv) the Legacy Banzai's equity structure for all periods presented, as affected by the recapitalization presentation after completion of the merger.

The aggregate consideration payable to securityholders of Legacy Banzai at the Closing consisted of a number of shares of Class A Common Stock or shares of Class B Common Stock, and cash in lieu of any fractional shares of Class A Common Stock or shares of Class B Common Stock that would otherwise have been payable to any Legacy Banzai securityholders, equal to \$100,000,000. See *Note 4 - Reverse Merger Capitalization with 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc.* for further details of the merger.

# **Emerging Growth Company**

Upon closure of the Merger, the Company became an "emerging growth company," as defined in Section 2(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, (the "Securities Act"), as modified by the Jumpstart our Business Startups Act of 2012, (the "JOBS Act"), and it may take advantage of certain exemptions from various reporting requirements that are applicable to public companies that are not emerging growth companies.

Section 102(b) (1) of the JOBS Act exempts emerging growth companies from being required to comply with new or revised financial accounting standards until private companies are required to comply. Private companies are those companies that have not had a Securities Act registration statement declared effective or do not have a class of securities registered under the Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"). The JOBS Act provides that a company can elect to opt out of the extended transition period and comply with the requirements that apply to non-emerging growth companies. Any such election to opt out is irrevocable. The Company has elected not to opt out of such extended transition period, which means that when a standard is issued or revised, it adopts the new or revised standard at the time private companies adopt the new or revised standard. Therefore, the Company's financial statements may not be comparable to certain public companies.

## 2. Going Concern

As of March 31, 2024 the Company had cash of approximately \$1.0 million. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company used approximately \$2.1 million in cash for operating activities. The Company has incurred recurring net losses from operations and negative cash flows from operating activities since inception. As of March 31, 2024, the Company had an accumulated deficit of approximately \$51.3 million. These factors raise substantial doubt regarding the Company's ability to continue as a going concern within one year of the date these financial statements were issued.

The continuation of the Company as a going concern is dependent upon the continued financial support from its stockholders and debt holders. Specifically, continuation is contingent on the Company's ability to obtain necessary equity or debt financing to continue operations, and ultimately the Company's ability to generate profit from sales and positive operating cash flows, which is not assured.

The Company's plans include obtaining future debt and equity financings associated with the close of the Merger described in *Note 4 - Reverse Merger Capitalization with 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc.*. If the Company is unsuccessful in completing these planned transactions, it may be required to reduce its spending rate to align with expected revenue levels and cash reserves, although there can be no guarantee that it will be successful in doing so. Accordingly, the Company may be required to raise additional cash through debt or equity transactions. It may not be able to secure financing in a timely manner or on favorable terms, if at all. As a result, management's plans cannot be considered probable and thus do not alleviate substantial doubt about the Company's ability to continue as a going concern.

These accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming that the Company will continue as a going concern and do not include any adjustments that might result from the outcome of this uncertainty.

## 3. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

## **Basis of Presentation**

The Company's unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America ("GAAP") as determined by the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") Accounting Standards Codification ("ASC") and applicable regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") for interim financial information and with the instructions to Form 10-Q of Regulation S-X. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in financial statements prepared in accordance with U.S. GAAP have been omitted pursuant to such rules and regulations of the SEC relating to interim financial statements. The December 31, 2023 balance sheet information was derived from the audited financial statements as of that date. Except as disclosed herein, there has been no material change in the information disclosed in the notes to the consolidated financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2023 included in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on April 1, 2024. The interim unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with those consolidated financial statements included in the Form 10-K. In the opinion of management, all adjustments considered necessary for a fair statement of the financial statements, consisting solely of normal recurring adjustments, have been made. Operating results for the three months ended March 31, 2024 are not necessarily indicative of the results that may be expected for the year ending December 31, 2024.

# Warrant Liabilities

The Company does not use derivative instruments to hedge exposures to cash flow, market, or foreign currency risks. The Company evaluates all of its financial instruments, including issued stock purchase warrants, to determine if such instruments are derivatives or contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives. The classification of derivative instruments, including whether such instruments should be recorded as liabilities or as equity, is reassessed at the end of each reporting period.

Warrant Liability - related party

The Public Warrants are recognized as derivative liabilities in accordance with ASC 815 *Derivatives and Hedging* ("ASC 815"). Accordingly, the Company recognizes the warrant instruments as liabilities at fair value and adjusts the instruments to fair value at each reporting period. The liabilities are subject to re-measurement at each balance sheet date until exercise or expiration, and any change in fair value is recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

The Public Warrants were initially measured at fair value using a Monte Carlo simulation model and have subsequently been measured based on the listed market price of such warrants. Warrant liabilities are classified as current liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

## Warrant Liability

The GEM Warrants were not considered indexed to the issuer's stock pursuant to ASC 815, as the holder's ability to receive in lieu of the Warrant one percent of the total consideration received by the Company's stockholders in connection with a Change of Control, where the surviving corporation is not publicly traded, adjusts the settlement value based on items outside the Company's control in violation of the fixed-for-fixed option pricing model. As such, the Company recorded the Warrants as liabilities initially measured at fair value with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in earnings each reporting period.

The measurement of fair value was determined utilizing a Monte Carlo simulation considering all relevant assumptions current at the date of issuance (i.e., share price, exercise price, term, volatility, risk-free rate, probability of dilutive term of three years, and expected time to conversion).

## Loss Per Share

Basic loss per share of common stock is computed by dividing net loss attributable to common stockholders by the weighted average number of shares of common stock outstanding during the period. Diluted net loss per share excludes, when applicable, the potential impact of stock options and convertible preferred stock because their effect would be anti-dilutive due to the net loss. Since the Company had a net loss in each of the periods presented, basic and diluted net loss per common share are the same.

The calculation of basic and diluted net loss per share attributable to common stock was as follows:

	For	For the Three Months Ended March 31,				
	2024			2023		
Numerator:						
Net loss attributable to common stock—basic and diluted	\$	(4,500,272)	\$	(3,765,122)		
Denominator:						
Weighted average shares—basic and diluted		17,355,609		6,382,180		
Net loss per share attributable to common stock—basic and diluted	\$	(0.26)	\$	(0.59)		

Securities that were excluded from loss per share as their effect would be anti-dilutive due to the net loss position that could potentially be dilutive in future periods are as follows:

	As of Marc	h 31,
	2024	2023
Options	801,372	670,247
Public warrants	11,500,000	_
GEM warrants	828,533	_
Total	13,129,905	670,247

## **Derivative Financial Instruments**

The Company evaluates all its financial instruments to determine if such instruments contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives. Embedded derivatives must be separately measured from the host contract if all the requirements for bifurcation are met. The assessment of the conditions surrounding the bifurcation of embedded derivatives depends on the nature of the host contract. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are recognized at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized in the statement of operations each period. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are classified with the related host contract in the Company's balance sheet. Refer to *Note 7 - Fair Value Measurements* and *Note 11 - Debt* for further detail.

## Fair Value of Financial Instruments

In accordance with FASB ASC 820 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures, the Company uses a three-level hierarchy for fair value measurements of certain assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes that distinguishes between market participant assumptions developed from market data obtained from outside sources (observable inputs) and the Company's own assumptions about market participant assumptions developed from the best information available to us in the circumstances (unobservable inputs). The fair value hierarchy is divided into three levels based on the source of inputs as follows:

Level 1: Quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities.

Level 2: Inputs other than Level 1 prices for similar assets or liabilities that are directly or indirectly observable in the marketplace.

Level 3: Unobservable inputs which are supported by little or no market activity and values determined using pricing models, discounted cash flow methodologies, or similar techniques, as well as instruments for which the determination of fair value requires significant judgment or estimation.

The fair value measurements discussed herein are based upon certain market assumptions and pertinent information available to management during the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023. The carrying amount of cash, accounts receivable, prepaid expenses and other current assets, accounts payable, accrued expenses, deferred revenue, and other current liabilities approximated their fair values as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023.

## Recent Accounting Pronouncements

Recent accounting pronouncements not yet effective

In December 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-09 (Topic 740), Improvements to income tax disclosures, which enhances the disclosure requirements for the income tax rate reconciliation, domestic and foreign income taxes paid, requiring disclosure of disaggregated income taxes paid by jurisdiction, unrecognized tax benefits, and modifies other income tax-related disclosures. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning after December 15, 2024. Early adoption is permitted and should be applied prospectively. The Company is currently evaluating the effect of adopting this guidance on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

In November 2023, the FASB issued ASU 2023-07, Segment Reporting (Topic 280): Improvements to Reportable Segment Disclosures. The amendments in this update intend to improve reportable segment disclosure requirements primarily through enhanced disclosures about significant segment expenses. This ASU requires disclosure of significant segment expenses that are regularly provided to the chief operating decision maker, the addition of a category for other segment items by reportable segment, that all annual segment disclosures be disclosed in interim periods, and other related segment disclosures. The ASU is effective for fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2023, and interim periods within fiscal years beginning after December 15, 2024. The Company is currently evaluating the effect of adopting this guidance on its condensed consolidated financial statements.

# 4. Reverse Merger Capitalization with 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc.

On December 14, 2023 (the "Closing Date"), Banzai consummated the previously announced Merger with 7GC, as a result of which Banzai became a wholly-owned subsidiary of 7GC. While 7GC was the legal acquirer of Banzai in the merger, for accounting purposes, Legacy Banzai was deemed to be the accounting acquirer in the merger. The determination was primarily based on Legacy Banzai's stockholders having a majority of the voting power in the combined Company, Legacy Banzai having the ability to appoint a majority of the Board of Directors of the Company, Legacy Banzai's existing management team comprising the senior management of the combined Company, Legacy Banzai comprising the ongoing operations of the combined Company and the combined Company assumed the name "Banzai International, Inc.". Accordingly, for accounting purposes, the merger was treated as the equivalent of Legacy Banzai issuing stock for the net assets of 7GC, accompanied by a recapitalization. The net assets of 7GC are stated at historical cost, with no goodwill or other intangible assets recorded.

Retroactive Restatement for Conversion of Common Stock and Series A Preferred Stock by Applying Exchange Ratio

Upon the closing of the merger, holders of Legacy Banzai common stock and Series A preferred stock received shares of common stock in an amount determined by application of the Exchange Ratio. In accordance with guidance applicable to these circumstances, the equity structure has been restated in all comparable periods, prior to the merger, up to December 14, 2023, to reflect the number of shares of the Company's common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, issued to Legacy Banzai's stockholders in connection with the merger. As such, the shares and corresponding capital amounts and earnings per share related to Legacy Banzai's outstanding Series A preferred stock and Legacy Banzai's common stock prior to the merger have been retroactively restated as shares reflecting the exchange ratio of approximately 0.6147 established in the merger. Legacy Banzai's Series A preferred stock previously classified as temporary equity was retroactively adjusted, converted into common stock and reclassified to permanent equity as a result of the reverse recapitalization. The consolidated assets, liabilities, and results of operations prior to the merger are those of Legacy Banzai.

The aggregate consideration payable to securityholders of Banzai at the Closing Date was equal to \$100,000,000. Holders of 3,207,428 shares of 7GC's Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share ("7GC Class A Common Stock"), exercised their right to redeem their shares for cash at a redemption price of approximately \$10.76 per share, for an aggregate redemption amount of \$34,524,065. Immediately prior to the Closing Date, each share of Banzai's Preferred Stock that was issued and outstanding was automatically converted into one share of Banzai's Class A Common Stock, par value \$0.0001 per share. Each share of Banzai's Class B Common Stock that was not held by the Chief Executive Officer of the Company converted to one share of Banzai's Class A Common Stock, while the Chief Executive Officer received Class B Common Stock.

On the terms and subject to the conditions set forth in the Merger Agreement, at the Second Effective Time, each share of common stock of the Surviving Corporation issued and outstanding immediately prior to the Second Effective Time was cancelled and no consideration was delivered therefore.

Upon the closing of the merger, the Company's certificate of incorporation was amended and restated to, among other things, increase the total number of authorized shares of all classes of capital stock to 350,000,000 shares, consisting of 250,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock, 25,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock, and 75,000,000 shares of Preferred Stock, all having a par value of \$0.0001 per share. As of March 31, 2024, there were 20,221,589 shares of Common Stock and no shares of Preferred Stock outstanding.

Effect of Merger on Class A and Class B Common Stock

Upon the Close of the Merger, holders of Legacy Banzai common stock and Series A preferred stock were converted into shares of common stock in an amount determined by application of the Exchange Ratio. As noted above, the equity structure has been restated in all comparable periods, prior to the Merger, up to December 14, 2023, to reflect the number of shares of the Company's common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, issued to Legacy Banzai's stockholders in connection with the Merger.

## 5. Related Party Transactions

#### 7GC Related Party Promissory Notes

On December 21, 2022, 7GC issued an unsecured promissory note (the "December 2022 7GC Note") to the Sponsor, 7GC & Co. Holdings LLC, which provides for borrowings from time to time of up to an aggregate of \$2,300,000. The December 2022 7GC Note does not bear interest. Upon the consummation of a Business Combination, the Sponsor shall have the option, but not the obligation, to convert the principal balance of the December 2022 7GC Note, in whole or in part, into that number of shares of Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, of 7GC (the "Converted Shares") equal to the principal amount of the December 2022 7GC Note so converted divided by \$10.00.

On October 3, 2023, 7GC issued an additional unsecured promissory note (the "October 2023 7GC Note", together with the December 2022 7GC Note, the "7GC Promissory Notes") to the Sponsor, which provides for borrowings from time to time of up to an aggregate of \$500,000 for working capital purposes. The October 2023 7GC Note does not bear interest. Upon the consummation of a Business Combination, the Sponsor shall have the option, but not the obligation, to convert the principal balance of the October 2023 7GC Note, in whole or in part, into that number of the Converted Shares, equal to the principal amount of the October 2023 7GC Note so converted divided by \$10.00.

Upon Closing of the Merger, Banzai assumed the 7GC Promissory Notes which subsequently converted on February 2, 2024. At the date of conversion, the total balance of the Notes converted was \$2,540,092.

## Due to Related Party of 7GC

During the year ended December 31, 2023, the Sponsor paid certain expenses on behalf of 7GC. Upon Closing of the Merger, Banzai assumed the \$67,118 liability. As of March 31, 2024, the entire balance remained outstanding and is included within due to related party under current liabilities on the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet.

## Legacy Banzai Related Party Transactions

During 2023, Legacy Banzai issued Promissory Notes and Convertible Notes to related parties. See *Note 11 - Debt* for further details related to these transactions and associated balances.

## 6. Revenue

Under ASC 606, revenue is recognized throughout the life of the executed agreement. The Company measures revenue based on considerations specified in terms and conditions agreed to by a customer. Furthermore, the Company recognizes revenue when a performance obligation is satisfied by transferring control of the service to the customer, which occurs over time.

The Company's services include providing end-to-end video engagement solutions that provide a fast, intuitive and powerful platform of marketing tools that create more intent-driven videos, webinars, virtual events and other digital and in-person marketing campaigns.

As noted within the SOW's and invoices, agreements range from monthly to annual and Banzai generally provides for net 30-day payment terms with the payment made directly through check or electronic means.

Banzai's Management believes its exposure to credit risk is sufficiently mitigated by collection through credit card sales or direct payment from established clients

## Nature of Products and Services

The following is a description of the Company's products and services from which the Company generates revenue, as well as the nature, timing of satisfaction of performance obligations, and significant payment terms for each, as applicable:

## Demio

The Demio product is a full-stack technology that marketers can leverage live and automated for video marketing content such as webinars and virtual events. Software products are provided to Demio customers for a range of attendees and hosts within a specified time frame at a specified established price. The performance obligations identified include access to the suite and platform, within the parameters established, and within the standards established in the agreement. Contracts include a standalone selling price for the number of webinars and hosts as a performance obligation. There are no financing components and payments are typically net 30 of date or receipt of invoice. It is nearly 100% certain that a significant revenue reversal will not occur. The Company recognizes revenue for its sale of Demio services over time which corresponds with the period of time that access to the service is provided.

#### Reach

While the Reach product is in the process of being phased out, the Company continues to generate revenues from the product. The Reach product provides a multi-channel targeted audience acquisition (via Reach) to bolster engagement and Return on Investment (ROI). Banzai enables marketing teams to create winning webinars and virtual and in-person events that increase marketing efficiency and drive additional revenue. Software products are provided to Reach customers for a range of simultaneous events and registrations within a specified time frame at a specified established price. The performance obligations identified include access to the suite and platform, within the parameters established, and within the standards established in the agreement. Contracts include a standalone selling price for the number of simultaneous published events as a performance obligation. There are no financing components and payments are typically net 30 of date or receipt of invoice. It is nearly 100% certain that a significant revenue reversal will not occur. The Company recognizes revenue for its sale of Reach services over time which corresponds with the timing the service is rendered.

## Disaggregation of Revenue

The following table summarizes revenue by region based on the billing address of customers:

	Three Months Ended March 31,							
		20	)24	20	)23			
	Amount		Percentage of Revenue	Amount	Percentage of Revenue			
Americas	\$	582,827	54% \$	669,775	62 %			
Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA)		386,250	36%	407,910	30%			
Asia Pacific		110,395	10%	99,376	8 %			
Total	\$	1,079,472	100% \$	1,177,061	100%			

## **Contract Balances**

## Accounts Receivable, Net

A receivable is recorded when an unconditional right to invoice and receive payment exists, such that only the passage of time is required before payment of consideration is due. The Company receives payments from customers based upon agreed-upon contractual terms, typically within 30 days of invoicing the customer. The timing of revenue recognition may differ from the timing of invoicing to customers.

		Opening		Closing Opening			C	Closing
		Balance 1/1/2024		Balance Balance			e Balance	
				3/31/2024		1/1/2023		31/2023
Accounts receivable, net	\$	105,049	\$	34,670	\$	68,416	\$	61,755

## Costs to Obtain a Contract

Sales commissions, the principal costs incurred to obtain a contract, are earned when the contract is executed. Management has capitalized these costs and amortized the commission expense over time in accordance with the related contract's term. For the three

months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, commission expenses were \$82,142 and \$99,376, respectively. Capitalized commissions at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 were \$38,462 and \$51,472, respectively, and are included within prepaid expenses and other current assets on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

The following summarizes the Costs to obtain a contract activity during the three months ended March 31, 2024:

Balance - December 31, 2023	\$ 51,472
Commissions Incurred	31,610
Deferred Commissions Recognized	(44,620)
Balance - March 31, 2024	\$ 38,462
The following summarizes the Costs to obtain a contract activity during the three months ended March 31, 2023:	
Balance - December 31, 2022	\$ 69,737
Commissions Incurred	88,928
Deferred Commissions Recognized	(104,289)
Balance - March 31, 2023	\$ 54,376

#### 7. Fair Value Measurements

The fair value measurements discussed herein are based upon certain market assumptions and pertinent information available to management as of and during the three months ended March 31, 2024 and the year ended December 31, 2023. The carrying amount of accounts payable approximated fair value as they are short term in nature.

## Fair Value on a Non-recurring Basis

The fair value of non-financial assets measured at fair value on a non-recurring basis, classified as Level 3 in the fair value hierarchy, is determined based on using market-based approaches, or estimates of discounted expected future cash flows.

## Fair Value on a Recurring Basis

The Company follows the guidance in ASC 820 Fair Value Measurements and Disclosures for its financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at each reporting period, and non-financial assets and liabilities that are re-measured and reported at fair value at least annually. The estimated fair value of the Public Warrants liabilities represent Level 1 measurements and Level 2 measurements. The estimated fair value of the convertible notes bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities, GEM warrant liabilities, Yorkville convertible note, and SAFE represent Level 3 measurements.

The following table presents information about the Company's financial instruments that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, and indicates the fair value hierarchy of the valuation inputs the Company utilized to determine such fair value:

Description	Level	March 31, 2024	December 31, 2023
Liabilities:			
Warrant liabilities - public	2	\$460,000	\$-
Warrant liabilities - public	1	\$—	\$575,000
GEM warrant liabilities	3	\$233,000	\$641,000
Yorkville convertible note	3	\$3,064,000	\$1,766,000

## Warrant Liability - Public Warrants

The Company assumed 11,500,000 Public Warrants in the Merger which were outstanding as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023. The fair values of the Public Warrants are measured based on the listed market price of such warrants through March 31, 2024. See *Note 12 - Warrant Liabilities* for further details.

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company recognized a benefit of approximately \$115,000 resulting from changes in the fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities, presented as change in fair value of warrant liabilities - related party in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The following tables set forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the Public Warrants liability which are Level 1 financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	Fair Value
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$ 575,000
Change in fair value	(115,000)
Balance at March 31, 2024	\$ 460,000

## Warrant Liability - GEM Warrants

The measurement of fair value of the GEM Warrants were determined utilizing a Monte Carlo simulation considering all relevant assumptions current at the date of issuance (i.e., share price, exercise price, term, volatility, risk-free rate, probability of dilutive term of three years, and expected time to conversion). Refer to *Note 12 - Warrant Liabilities* for further details.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company recognized a benefit of approximately \$408,000, resulting from changes in the fair value of the derivative warrant liabilities, presented as change in fair value of warrant liabilities in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The following tables set forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the GEM Warrants liability which are Level 3 financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	Fa	ir Value
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$	641,000
Change in fair value		(408,000)
Balance at March 31, 2024	\$	233,000

#### Yorkville Convertible Notes

The measurement of fair value of the Yorkville convertible notes were determined utilizing a Monte Carlo simulation considering all relevant assumptions current at the date of issuance (i.e., share price, term, volatility, risk-free rate, and probability of optional redemption). Refer to *Note 11 - Debt* for further details.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company recognized a benefit (loss) of approximately \$(544,000) resulting from changes in the fair value of the Yorkville convertible notes, presented as change in fair value of convertible promissory notes in the accompanying condensed consolidated statements of operations.

The following tables set forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the Yorkville convertible notes which is a Level 3 financial liability measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

	F	air Value
Balance at December 31, 2023	\$	1,766,000
Issuance of Yorkville convertible note		2,250,000
Loss on debt issuance		171,000
Payment in shares to settle Yorkville convertible notes		(1,667,000)
Change in fair value		544,000
Balance at March 31, 2024	\$	3,064,000

# Bifurcated Embedded Derivative Liabilities

The fair value of the embedded put options, relating to the Convertible Notes - Related Party, Convertible Notes, and Term and Convertible Notes (CP BF), was determined using a Black Scholes option pricing model. Estimating fair values of embedded conversion features requires the development of significant and subjective estimates that may, and are likely to, change over the duration of the instrument with related changes in internal and external market factors. Because the embedded conversion features are initially and subsequently carried at fair values, the Company's consolidated statements of operations will reflect the volatility in these estimate and assumption changes. On December 14, 2023, all outstanding principal and accrued interest, including the carrying value of any related embedded derivative, related to the Related Party Convertible Notes and Third Party Convertible Notes converted into the Company's Class A Common Stock pursuant to the close of the Merger Agreement. Upon the conversion described above, the bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities were \$0 as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. Refer to *Note 11 - Debt* for further details.

The following table sets forth a summary of the changes in the fair value of the bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities for the three months ended March 31, 2023, related to the Related Party and Third Party Convertible Debt, respectively, which are Level 3 financial liabilities that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis:

		Fair Value			
	Related Party		Third Party		
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	1,936,827	\$	845,473	
Issuance of convertible notes with bifurcated embedded derivative		707,000		_	
Change in fair value		137,285		32,415	
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$	2,781,112	\$	877,888	

#### Simple Agreements for Future Equity (SAFE)

During 2021, the Company entered into Simple Agreements for Future Equity (SAFE) arrangements (the "SAFEs"). In the event of an Equity Financing (as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the SAFEs will automatically convert into shares of the Company's common or preferred stock at a discount of 15% of the per share price of the shares offered in the Equity Financing (the "Discount Price"). In the event of a Liquidity Event, SPAC Transaction or Dissolution Event (all terms as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the holders of the SAFEs will be entitled to receive cash or shares of the Company's common or preferred stock. The number of shares required to be issued to settle the SAFEs at the equity financing is variable, because that number will be determined by the discounted fair value of the Company's equity shares on the date of settlement (i.e., Discount Price). Regardless of the fair value of the shares on the date of settlement, the holder will receive a fixed monetary value based on the Purchase Amount of the SAFE. If there is a Liquidity Event or SPAC Transaction before the settlement or termination of the SAFEs, the SAFEs will automatically be entitled to receive a portion of Proceeds, due and payable immediately prior to, or concurrent with, the consummation of such Liquidity Event or SPAC Transaction, equal to the greater of (i) two times (2x) the Purchase Amount (the "Cash-Out Amount") or (ii) the amount payable on the number of shares of Common Stock equal to the Purchase Amount divided by the Liquidity Price (as defined in the SAFEs agreements). Refer to *Note 13 - Simple Agreements for Future Equity* for additional information related to the Company's SAFEs.

The fair value of the SAFEs was determined using a scenario-based method for the pre-modification SAFE's and a Monte Carlo simulation method for the post-modification SAFEs. The value of the SAFE liability as of December 31, 2023 is based on significant inputs not observable in the market, which represents a Level 3 measurement within the fair value hierarchy. The fair value of the SAFEs on the date of issuance was determined to be \$3,836,000. On December 14, 2023, all outstanding principal related to the Third Party SAFEs and Related Party SAFEs converted into the Company's Class A Common Stock pursuant to the close of the Merger Agreement. Upon the conversion described above, the SAFEs were \$0 as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively. Refer to *Note 13 - Simple Agreements for Future Equity* for further details.

The following tables set forth a summary of the activity of the Related Party and Third Party SAFE liabilities, respectively (See *Note 13 - Simple Agreements for Future Equity* for further detail), which represents a recurring fair value measurement at the end of the relevant reporting period:

Fair Value

		rair value			
	Related Party		Third Party		
Balance at December 31, 2022	\$	8,802,196	\$	663,804	
Change in fair value		303,139		22,861	
Balance at March 31, 2023	\$	9,105,335	\$	686,665	

# 8. Prepaid Expenses and Other Current Assets

Prepaid expenses and other current assets consisted of the following at the dates indicated:

	March 31, 2024		December 31, 2023	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets:				
Service Trade	\$	333,219	\$	364,384
Prepaid consulting costs		13,258		120,332
Prepaid data license and subscription costs		37,500		53,124
Prepaid commissions		38,462		51,472
Prepaid software costs		17,439		29,887
Prepaid merchant fees		29,182		26,224
Prepaid insurance costs		445,963		17,661
Prepaid advertising and marketing costs		146,201		11,074
Other current assets		12,690		66,997
Total prepaid expenses and other current assets	\$	1,073,914	\$	741,155

## 9. Accrued Expenses and Other Current Liabilities

Accrued expenses and other current liabilities consisted of the following at the dates indicated:

	Ma	March 31, 2024		mber 31, 2023
Accrued expenses and other current liabilities:				
Accrued accounting and professional services costs	\$	2,162,984	\$	1,511,889
Accrued subscription costs		489,972		22,110
Sales tax payable		338,402		314,873
Excise tax payable		223,717		223,717
Accrued legal costs		153,884		2,694,439
Accrued payroll and benefit costs		93,513		185,504
Accrued streaming service costs		56,380		37,765
Deposits		54,102		54,102
Other current liabilities		289,760		149,841
Total accrued expenses and other current liabilities	\$	3,862,714	\$	5,194,240

# 10. Deferred Revenue

Deferred revenue represents amounts that have been collected in advance of revenue recognition and is recognized as revenue when transfer of control to customers has occurred or services have been provided. The deferred revenue balance does not represent the total contract value of annual or multi-year, non-cancelable revenue agreements. Differences between the revenue recognized per the below schedule, and the revenue recognized per the consolidated statement of operations, reflect amounts not recognized through the deferred revenue process, and which have been determined to be insignificant. For the three months ended March 31, 2024 and March 31, 2023, the Company recognized \$861,496 and \$930,436, in revenue that was included in the prior year deferred revenue balance, respectively.

The change in deferred revenue was as follows for the periods indicated:

	 Months Ended ch 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023		
Deferred revenue, beginning of period	\$ 1,214,096	\$	930,436	
Billings	1,110,682		4,781,924	
Revenue recognized (prior year deferred revenue)	(861,496)		(930,436)	
Revenue recognized (current year deferred revenue)	(217,976)		(3,567,828)	
Deferred revenue, end of period	\$ 1,245,306	\$	1,214,096	

The deferred revenue balance is short-term and included under current liabilities on the accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated balance sheet.

#### 11. Debt

#### Convertible Notes

## Convertible Notes - Related Party

During 2022 and 2023, the Company issued subordinated convertible promissory notes to related parties Alco Investment Company ("Alco"), Mason Ward, DNX, and William Bryant. Alco held approximately 5% of the issued equity of the Company, through its ownership of Series A preferred stock. DNX held in excess of 5% of the issued equity of the Company, through its ownership of Series A preferred stock. William Bryant became a member of the Board of Directors upon completion of the Merger. The Related Party Convertible Notes bear interest at a rate of 8% per annum, and are convertible into the same series of capital stock of the Company to be issued to other investors upon a Qualified Financing (as defined in the agreement).

During the quarter ending March 31, 2023, the Company recorded a \$707,000 debt discount upon issuance of additional Related Party Convertible Notes. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, interest expense on the Related Party Convertible Notes totaled \$383,284, comprised of \$90,422 of contractual interest and \$292.862 for the amortization of the discount.

## March 2023 Amendment

In March 2023, the Related Party Convertible Notes were amended to extend the maturity to December 31, 2023. The Company evaluated the terms of the First Amendment in accordance with ASC 470-60, Troubled Debt Restructurings, and ASC 470-50, Debt Modifications and Extinguishments. The Company determined that the Company was granted a concession by the lender based on the decrease of the effective borrowing rate on the First Amendment. Accordingly, the Company accounted for the First Amendment as a troubled debt restructuring. As a result, the Company accounted for the troubled debt restructuring by calculating a new effective interest rate for the First Amendment based on the carrying amount of the debt and the present value of the revised future cash flow payment stream. The troubled debt restructuring did not result in recognition of a gain or loss in the consolidated statement of operations but does impact interest expense recognized in the future.

## Convertible Notes - Third Party

During 2022 and 2023, the Company issued additional subordinated convertible notes (the "Third Party Convertible Notes"). The Third Party Convertible Notes bear interest at a rate of 8% per annum, and are convertible into the same series of capital stock of the Company to be issued to other investors upon a Qualified Financing (as defined in the agreement).

For the three months ended March 31, 2023, interest expense on the Third Party Convertible Notes totaled \$151,624, comprised of \$34,717 of contractual interest and \$116,907 for the amortization of the discount.

## March 2023 Amendment

In March 2023, the Third Party Convertible Notes were amended to extend the maturity to December 31, 2023. The Company evaluated the terms of the First Amendment in accordance with ASC 470-60, Troubled Debt Restructurings, and ASC 470-50, Debt Modifications and Extinguishments. The Company determined that the Company was granted a concession by the lender based on the decrease of the effective borrowing rate on the First Amendment. Accordingly, the Company accounted for the First Amendment as a troubled debt restructuring. As a result, the Company accounted for the troubled debt restructuring by calculating a new effective interest rate for the First Amendment based on the carrying amount of the debt and the present value of the revised future cash flow payment stream. The troubled debt restructuring did not result in recognition of a gain or loss in the consolidated statement of operations but does impact interest expense recognized in the future.

The following table presents the Related Party and Third Party Convertible Notes, respectively, as of December 31, 2023:

	Re	elated Party	Third Party		
Face value of the convertible notes	\$	6,783,538	\$	3,196,206	
Debt discount, net		(131,867)		(83,688)	
Carrying value of the convertible notes		6,651,671		3,112,518	
Accrued interest		619,697		233,714	
Conversion of convertible notes		(7,271,368)		(3,346,232)	
Total convertible notes and accrued interest	\$	_	\$	_	

#### **Promissory Notes**

Promissory Notes - Related Party

On August 30, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco August Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of \$150,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. Alco held its ownership of over 10% of the issued equity of the Company, through its ownership of Series A preferred stock. The Alco August Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on April 29, 2024. The Company recorded a \$3,711 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco August Promissory Note. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco August Promissory Note totaled \$5,449, comprised of \$2,991 of contractual accrued interest and \$2,458 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$150,000 of principal and \$7,035 and \$4,044, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco August Promissory Note recorded in note payable - related party on the balance sheets.

On September 13, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco September Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$1,500,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco September Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on September 30, 2024. The Company recorded \$8,588 of debt issuance costs and a \$638,808 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco September Promissory Note, relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco September Promissory Note totaled \$91,563, comprised of \$29,918 of contractual accrued interest and \$61,645 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$1,500,000 of principal and \$60,493 and \$30,575, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco September Promissory Note recorded in note payable - related party on the balance sheets.

On November 16, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco November Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$750,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco November Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on April 13, 2024. The Company recorded a \$363,905 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco November Promissory Note relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco November Promissory Note totaled \$248,285, comprised of \$14,959 of contractual accrued interest and \$233,326 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$750,000 of principal and \$22,356 and \$7,397, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco November Promissory Note recorded in note payable - related party on the consolidated balance sheets.

On December 13, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco December Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$2,000,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco December Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on December 31, 2024. The Company recorded a \$1,496,252 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco December Promissory Note, relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco December Promissory Note totaled \$232,216, comprised of \$39,890 of contractual accrued interest and \$192,326 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$2,000,000 of principal and \$47,780 and \$7,890, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco December Promissory Note recorded in note payable – related party on the consolidated balance sheets.

In connection with the issuances of the Alco September, November, and December Promissory Notes, the Company, 7GC and the Sponsor entered into share transfer agreements (the "Alco Share Transfer Agreements") with Alco Investment Company. Pursuant to which for each \$10.00 in principal borrowed under the Alco September and November Promissory Notes, the Sponsor agreed to forfeit one share of 7GC Class B Common Stock held by the Sponsor, in exchange for the right of Alco to receive one New Banzai Class A Share. For each \$10.00 in principal borrowed under the December Note, the Sponsor agreed to forfeit three shares of 7GC Class B Common Stock held by the Sponsor, in exchange for the right of Alco to receive three New Banzai Class A Shares. Such forfeited and issued shares under the Alco September, November, and December Promissory Notes are capped at an amount equal to 150,000, 75,000, and 600,000, respectively. Pursuant to the Alco Share Transfer Agreements, the shares are subject to an 180-day lock-up period upon issuance of the shares.

For the Alco Share Transfer Agreements, the Company considered the guidance under ASC 815, Derivatives and Hedging, and determined that the Investor Shares underlying each of the Share Transfer Agreements described above, met the definition of a freestanding financial instrument and are not precluded from being considered indexed to the Company's common stock. The Company determined that these shares represent a freestanding equity contract issued to the lender, resulting in a discount recorded on the notes when they are issued.

Equity-classified contracts are initially measured at fair value (or allocated value). Subsequent changes in fair value are not recognized if the contracts continue to be classified in equity. The measurement of fair value was determined utilizing various put option models in estimating the discount lack of marketability (the "DLOM") applied to the public share price as the shares underlying each of the Share Transfer Agreements are subject to a lock-up period pursuant to each agreement, to estimate the fair value of the shares transferred. Option pricing models assume that the cost to purchase a stock option relates directly to the measurement of the DLOM. The logic

behind these models is that investors may be able to quantify this price risk, due to lack of marketability, over a particular holding period where price volatility is usually estimated as a proxy for risk. The inputs and assumptions utilized in the fair value estimation included the Company's stock price on the measurement date, a DLOM as described above, the number of shares pursuant to each Share Transfer Agreement, and a probability weighted factor for the Company's expected percentage of completing its Business Combination, at each Share Transfer Agreement date.

For the Alco September Promissory Note, of which \$1,000,000 was drawn on September 13, 2023, the DLOM was estimated using the put option models described above and the following assumptions: a holding period for the shares of 272 days (approximately 0.77 years) measured from the date of issuance of the \$1,000,000 of proceeds under the September Note through the issuance of the shares under the Alco October Share Transfer Agreement on December 14, 2023 at which time the 180-day lock-up period commenced; a re-levered equity volatility estimated using guideline public companies of 54.0%; and a risk-free rate commensurate with the term of 5.3%. The put option models provided a DLOM range of 10.7% to 16.0% and the concluded DLOM was estimated to be 12.5%. The Company's expected percentage of completing the Merger on this date was 80%.

For the remaining \$500,000 drawn on the Alco September Promissory Note on October 3, 2023, the DLOM was estimated using the put option models described above and the following assumptions: a holding period for the shares of 252 days (approximately 0.72 years) measured from the date of issuance of the remaining \$500,000 of proceeds under the September Note through the issuance of the shares under the Alco October Share Transfer Agreement on December 14, 2023 at which time the 180-day lock-up period commenced; a re-levered equity volatility estimated using guideline public companies of 52.0%; and a risk-free rate commensurate with the term of 5.4%. The put option models provided a DLOM range of 10.0% to 15.0% and the concluded DLOM was estimated to be 11.5%. The Company's expected percentage of completing the Merger on this date was 80%.

For the Alco November Promissory Note, the DLOM was estimated using the put option models described above and the following assumptions: a holding period for the shares of 208 days (approximately 0.60 years) measured from the issuance date of the November Note through the issuance of the shares under the November 2023 Share Transfer Agreement on December 14, 2023 at which time the 180-day lock-up period commenced; a re-levered equity volatility estimated using guideline public companies of 54.0%; and a risk-free rate commensurate with the term of 5.2%. The put option models provided a DLOM range of 9.5% to 15.0% and the concluded DLOM was estimated to be 11.5%. The Company's expected percentage of completing the Merger on this date was 100%.

For the Alco December Promissory Note, the DLOM was estimated using the put option models described above and the following assumptions: a holding period for the shares of 180 days (approximately 0.49 years) measured from the issuance date of the December Note through the issuance of the shares under the December 2023 Share Transfer Agreement on December 14, 2023 at which time the 180-day lock-up period commenced; a re-levered equity volatility estimated using guideline public companies of 47.0%; and a risk-free rate commensurate with the term of 5.2%. The put option models provided a DLOM range of 7.5% to 12.0% and the concluded DLOM was estimated to be 9.0%. The Company's expected percentage of completing its Business Combination on this date was 100%.

Promissory Notes - 7GC

The Company assumed two promissory notes in connection with the Merger which remained outstanding as of December 31, 2023. On February 9, 2024, the \$2,540,091 balance was converted into 890,611 shares the Company's Class A Common Stock pursuant to the terms in the 7GC Promissory Notes.

Promissory Note - GEM

On December 14, 2023, the Company and GEM Global Yield LLC SCS and GEM Yield Bahamas Limited (collectively, "GEM") agreed to terminate in its entirety the GEM Agreement, pursuant to which GEM was to purchase from the Company shares of common stock having an aggregate value up to \$100,000,000 and the Company was required to make and execute a warrant ("GEM Warrant"). The Company's obligation to issue the GEM Warrant remained, granting GEM the right to purchase Class A Common Stock in an amount equal to 3% of the total number of equity interests outstanding as of the Closing, calculated on a fully diluted basis, at an exercise price on the terms and conditions set forth therein, in exchange for issuance of a \$2.0 million convertible debenture with a five-year maturity and 0% coupon. Due to the determination of the final terms of the planned \$2.0 million convertible debenture having not been finalized, nor the final agreement related to the convertible debenture having been executed, as of December 31, 2023, the Company recognized, concurrent with the close of the merger, a liability for the GEM commitment fee, along with a corresponding GEM commitment fee expense, in the amount of \$2.0 million.

On February 5, 2024, the Company and GEM entered into a settlement agreement (the "GEM Settlement Agreement"), pursuant to which (a) the Company and GEM agreed to (i) settle the Company's obligations under and terminate the binding term sheet entered into between Legacy Banzai and GEM, dated December 13, 2023, and (ii) terminate the share repurchase agreement, dated May 27, 2022, by and among the Company and GEM, and (b) the Company (i) agreed to pay GEM \$1.2 million in cash within three business days of the GEM Settlement Agreement and (ii) issued to GEM, on February 5, 2024, an unsecured promissory zero coupon note in the amount

of \$1.0 million, payable in monthly installments of \$100,000 beginning on March 1, 2024, with the final payment to be made on December 1, 2024 (the "GEM Promissory Note"). The Company paid GEM the \$1.2 million in cash in February 2024.

The GEM Promissory Note provides that, in the event the Company fails to make a required monthly payment when due, the Company shall issue to GEM a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the monthly payment amount divided by the VWAP of the Class A Common Stock for the trading day immediately preceding the applicable payment due date. In addition, the Company agreed to register on a registration statement 2,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock that may be issuable under the terms of the GEM Promissory Note. The GEM Promissory Note contains customary events of default. If an event of default occurs, GEM may, at its option, demand from the Company immediate payment of any outstanding balance under the GEM Promissory Note.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company has issued an aggregate of 139,470 shares of Class A Common Stock to GEM in lieu of monthly payment obligations and the remaining balance of the GEM Promissory Note as of March 31, 2024 is \$900,000 recorded in the Convertible Notes line on the Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Convertible Promissory Notes (Yorkville)

On December 14, 2023, in connection with and pursuant to the terms of its Standby Equity Purchase Agreement ("SEPA") with YA II PN, LTD, a Cayman Islands exempt limited partnership managed by Yorkville Advisors Global, LP ("Yorkville"), (refer to *Note 15 - Equity* for further details), Yorkville agreed to advance to the Company, in exchange for convertible promissory notes, an aggregate principal amount of up to \$3,500,000, \$2,000,000 of which was funded at the Closing in exchange for the issuance by the Company of a Convertible Promissory Note (the "December Yorkville Convertible Note"). The Company received net proceeds of \$1,800,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$200,000.

On February 5, 2024, the Company and Yorkville entered into a supplemental agreement (the "SEPA Supplemental Agreement") to increase the amount of convertible promissory notes allowed to be issued under SEPA by \$1,000,000 (the "Additional Pre-Paid Advance Amount"), for an aggregate principal amount of \$4,500,000 to be advanced by Yorkville to the Company in the form of convertible promissory notes. On February 5, 2024 in exchange for a promissory note in the principal amount of \$1,000,000 (the "February Yorkville Promissory Note"), with the same terms as the December Yorkville Convertible Note, the Company received net proceeds of \$900,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$100,000.

On March 26, 2024, the Company, in exchange for a convertible promissory note with a principal amount of \$1,500,000 (the "March Yorkville Promissory Note"), together with the December Yorkville Convertible Note and February Yorkville Promissory Note (the" Yorkville Promissory Notes"), received net proceeds of \$1,250,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$250,000 from Yorkville.

The Yorkville Convertible Notes have a maturity date of June 14, 2024, and accrue interest at 0% per annum, subject to an increase to 18% per annum upon events of default as defined in the agreement. As of March 31, 2024, no events of default have occurred.

Yorkville has the right to convert any portion of the outstanding principal into shares of Class A common stock at any time. The number of shares issuable upon conversion is equal to the amount of principal to be converted (as specified by Yorkville) divided by the Conversion Price (as defined in the Standby Equity Purchase Agreement disclosure in Note 15). Yorkville will not have the right to convert any portion of the principal to the extent that after giving effect to such conversion, Yorkville would beneficially own in excess of 9.99% of the total number of shares of Class A common stock outstanding after giving effect to such conversion.

Additionally, the Company, at its option, shall have the right, but not the obligation, to redeem early a portion or all amounts outstanding under the Promissory Notes at a redemption amount equal to the outstanding principal balance being repaid or redeemed, plus a 10% prepayment premium, plus all accrued and unpaid interest; provided that (i) the Company provides Yorkville with no less than ten trading days' prior written notice thereof and (ii) on the date such notice is issued, the VWAP of the Class A common stock is less than the Fixed Price.

Upon the occurrence of certain triggering events, as defined in the Yorkville Convertible Notes agreement (each an "Amortization Event"), the Company may be required to make monthly repayments of amounts outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Notes, with each monthly repayment to be in an amount equal to the sum of (x) \$1,000,000, plus (y) 10% in respect of such amount, and (z) all outstanding accrued and unpaid interest as of each payment date.

During January 2024, the Company's stock price per share fell below the then in effect Floor Price (as defined in the Standby Equity Purchase Agreement disclosure in Note 15) of \$2.00 for five trading days during a period of seven consecutive trading days (an Amortization Event under the terms of the December Yorkville Convertible Note agreement), thus triggering amortization payments under the terms of the December Yorkville Convertible Note. On January 24, 2024, Yorkville agreed to waive the Amortization Event trigger, prior to the date upon which any amortization payment would have been required. As discussed in the definitions below, the

Floor Price was reset on February 14, 2024, in conjunction with the effective date of the Company's Registration Statement, at a price of \$0.294 per share of Common Stock, thus curing the Amortization Event condition.

During the three months ending March 31, 2024, \$500,000 of principal under the December Yorkville Convertible Note was converted into 788,211 Class A Common stock of the Company and the full principal amount of \$1,000,000 under the February Yorkville Convertible Note was converted into 1,445,524 Class A Common stock of the Company.

As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the principal amount outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Notes was \$3,000,000 and \$2,000,000, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company recorded interest expense of \$0 in connection with the Yorkville Convertible Notes.

The Yorkville Convertible Notes are required to be measured at fair value pursuant to ASC 480 *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity* ("ASC 480") at the date of issuances and in subsequent reporting periods, due to the variable share-settled feature described above in which, if converted, the value to be received by Yorkville fluctuates based on something other than the fair value of the Company's common stock. The fair value of the Yorkville Convertible Notes as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023 was \$3,064,000 and \$1,766,000, respectively. The Company used a Monte Carlo simulation model in order to determine the Yorkville Convertible Note's fair value at December 31, 2023, with the following inputs: the fair value of the Company's common stock of \$1.88 on December 31, 2023, estimated equity volatility of 71%, the time to maturity of 0.46 years, a discounted market interest rate of 14%, a risk free rate of 5.28%, and probability of optional redemption 10.0%.

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company recorded a loss of \$544,000 related to the change in fair value of the Yorkville Convertible Notes liability. The Company used a Monte Carlo simulation model in order to determine the Yorkville Convertible Note's fair value at March 31, 2024, with the following inputs: the fair value of the Company's common stock of \$0.61 on March 31, 2024, estimated equity volatility of 106%, the time to maturity of 0.21 years, a discounted market interest rate of 16.5%, a risk free rate of 5.46%, and probability of optional redemption 75.0%.

## Term and Convertible Notes (CP BF)

During 2021, the Company entered into a loan agreement with CP BF Lending, LLC ("CP BF") comprised of a Term Note and a Convertible Note. The Term Note bears cash interest at a rate of 14% per annum paid monthly and accrued interest payable-in-kind ("PIK") cumulatively at 1.5% per annum. The outstanding principal balance of the Term Note together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, unpaid fees and expenses and any other Obligations then due, shall be paid on February 19, 2025 ("Loan Maturity Date"). The Convertible Note accrues PIK interest cumulatively at a rate of 15.5% per annum, and is convertible into Class A Common Stock upon Qualified Financing (as defined in the agreement), upon a Change of Control (as defined in the agreement), upon Prepayment, or at Maturity at a fixed conversion price. If not sooner converted or prepaid, the Convertible Note principal together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, unpaid fees and expenses and any other Obligations then due, shall be paid on the Loan Maturity Date.

For all respective periods presented, the Company was not in compliance with the Minimum Gross Profit Margin covenant in section 7.14.1 of the Loan Agreement, the Minimum ARR Growth covenant in section 7.14.2 of the Loan Agreement, and the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio covenant in section 7.14.3 of the Loan Agreement. As a result of the Company's noncompliance with the financial covenants, the entire principal amount and all unpaid and accrued interest will be classified as current on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

The effective interest rate for the Term Note was 16% for three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Term Note totaled \$292,327, comprised of \$266,348 of contractual interest and \$25,979 for the amortization of the discount. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, interest expense on the Term Note totaled \$278,164, comprised of \$259,443 of contractual interest and \$18,721 for the amortization of the discount. The effective interest rate for the CP BF Convertible Note and First Amendment Convertible Note was 16% for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Convertible Notes totaled \$116,411, comprised of \$108,596 of contractual interest and \$7,815 for the amortization of the discount. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, interest expense on the Convertible Notes totaled \$98,432, comprised of \$91,860 of contractual interest and \$6,572 for the amortization of the discount.

The Company utilizes a combination of scenario-based methods and Black-Scholes option pricing models to determine the average share count outstanding at conversion and the simulated price per share for the Company as of the valuation date. Key inputs into these models included the timing and probability of the identified scenarios, and for Black-Scholes option pricing models used for notes that included a valuation cap, equity values, risk-free rate and volatility.

The following table presents the CP BF convertible notes as of March 31, 2024:

Face value of the CB BF convertible notes	\$ 1,821,345
Debt discount, net	 (34,531)
Carrying value of the CB BF convertible notes	1,786,814
Accrued interest	 1,023,075
Total CB BF convertible notes and accrued interest	\$ 2,809,889
The following table presents the CP BF convertible notes as of December 31, 2023:	
Face value of the CB BF convertible notes	\$ 1,821,345
Debt discount, net	 (41,983)
Carrying value of the CB BF convertible notes	1,779,362
Accrued interest	914,479
Total CB BF convertible notes and accrued interest	\$ 2,693,841
The following table presents the CP BF term note as of March 31, 2024:	
Face value of the CB BF term note	\$ 6,500,000
Debt discount, net	(107,011)
Carrying value of the CB BF term note	6,392,989
Accrued interest	555,721
Total CB BF term note and accrued interest	\$ 6,948,710
The following table presents the CP BF term note as of December 31, 2023:	
Face value of the CB BF term note	\$ 6,500,000
Debt discount, net	 (129,586)
Carrying value of the CB BF term note	6,370,414
Accrued interest	289,373
Total CB BF term note and accrued interest	\$ 6,659,787

# 12. Warrant Liabilities

## Public Warrants

The Company assumed 11,500,000 Public Warrants in the Merger which remained outstanding as of March 31, 2024. The Public Warrants have an exercise price of \$11.50 per share, subject to adjustments, and will expire five years from the Merger Closing Date. The exercise price and number of shares of Class A common stock issuable upon exercise of the warrants may be adjusted in certain circumstances including in the event of a share dividend, or recapitalization, reorganization, merger or consolidation.

The Company will not be obligated to deliver any shares of Class A Common Stock pursuant to the exercise of a Public Warrant and will have no obligation to settle such Public Warrant exercise unless a registration statement under the Securities Act with respect to the shares of Class A Common Stock underlying the Public Warrants is then effective and a prospectus relating thereto is current, subject to the Company's satisfying its obligations described below with respect to registration, or a valid exemption from registration is available. No Public Warrant will be exercisable and the Company will not be obligated to issue a share of Class A Common Stock upon exercise of a Public Warrant unless the shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon such Public Warrant exercise has been registered, qualified, or deemed to be exempt under the securities laws of the state of residence of the registered holder of the Public Warrants. In the event that the conditions in the two immediately preceding sentences are not satisfied with respect to a Public Warrant, the holder of such Public Warrant will not be entitled to exercise such Public Warrant and such Public Warrant may have no value and expire worthless. In no event will the Company be required to net cash settle any Public Warrant. The Resale Registration statement went effective on February 14, 2024. As the Resale Registration Statement was declared effective within the contractual 60-day term upon closing of the Merger, no "cashless basis" exercises were triggered during the period ended March 31, 2024.

Redemption of Public Warrants When the price per Share of Class A Common Stock Equals or Exceeds \$18.00

Once the Public Warrants become exercisable, the Company may redeem the outstanding Public Warrants:

• in whole and not in part;

- at a price of \$0.01 per Warrant;
- upon a minimum of 30 days' prior written notice of redemption (the "30-day redemption period"); and
- if, and only if, the closing price per share of Class A Common Stock equals or exceeds \$18.00 per share (as adjusted for adjustments to the number of shares issuable upon exercise or the exercise price of a Public Warrant as described under the heading "- Warrants—Public Stockholder Warrants—Anti-dilution Adjustments") for any 20 trading days within a 30-trading day period ending three trading days before the Company sends the notice of redemption to the warrant holders.

The Company will not redeem the Public Warrants as described above unless a registration statement under the Securities Act covering the issuance of shares of Class A Common Stock issuable upon exercise of the Public Warrants is then effective and a current prospectus relating to those shares of Class A Common Stock is available throughout the 30-day redemption period. If and when the Public Warrants become redeemable by the Company, the Company may not exercise its redemption right if the Company is unable to register or qualify the underlying securities for sale under all applicable state securities laws.

The Company has established the last of the redemption criterion discussed above to prevent a redemption call unless there is at the time of the call a significant premium to the Public Warrant exercise price. If the foregoing conditions are satisfied and the Company issues a notice of redemption of the Public Warrants, each warrant holder will be entitled to exercise his, her or its Public Warrant prior to the scheduled redemption date. However, the price per share of Class A Common Stock may fall below the \$18.00 redemption trigger price (as adjusted for adjustments to the number of shares issuable upon exercise or the exercise price of a Public Warrant as described under the heading "-Warrants—Public Stockholder Warrants—Anti-dilution Adjustments") as well as the \$11.50 (for whole shares) Public Warrant exercise price after the redemption notice is issued.

No fractional shares of Class A Common Stock will be issued upon exercise. If, upon exercise, a holder would be entitled to receive a fractional interest in a share, the Company will round down to the nearest whole number of the number of shares of Class A Common Stock to be issued to the holder.

## GEM Financing Arrangement

In association with the GEM Letter, see *Note 11 - Debt* for further details, at Closing, the GEM Warrant automatically became an obligation of the Company, and on December 15, 2023, the Company issued the GEM Warrant granting GEM the right to purchase 828,533 shares at an exercise price of \$6.49 per share. The exercise price will be adjusted to 105% of the then-current exercise price if on the one-year anniversary date of the Effective Time, the GEM Warrant has not been exercised in full and the average closing price per share of Class A Common Stock for the 10 days preceding the anniversary date is less than 90% of the initial exercise price. GEM may exercise the GEM Warrant at any time and from time to time until December 14, 2026. The terms of the GEM Warrant provide that the exercise price of the GEM Warrant, and the number of shares of Class A Common Stock for which the GEM Warrant may be exercised, are subject to adjustment to account for increases or decreases in the number of outstanding shares of New Banzai Common Stock resulting from stock splits, reverse stock splits, consolidations, combinations and reclassifications. Additionally, the GEM Warrant contains weighted average anti-dilution provisions that provide that if the Company issues shares of common stock, or securities convertible into or exercisable or exchange for, shares of common stock at a price per share that is less than 90% of the exercise price then in effect or without consideration, then the exercise price of the GEM Warrant upon each such issuance will be adjusted to the price equal to 105% of the consideration per share paid for such common stock or other securities. In the event of a Change of Control, if the Surviving Corporation does not have registered class of equity securities and common shares listed on a U.S. national securities exchange, then the Holder is entitled to receive one percent of the total consideration received by the Company's stockholders and the GEM Warrants will expire upon payment.

The Warrants were not considered indexed to the issuer's stock pursuant to ASC 815, as the holder's ability to receive in lieu of the Warrant one percent of the total consideration received by the Company's stockholders in connection with a Change of Control, where the surviving corporation is not publicly traded, adjusts the settlement value based on items outside the Company's control in violation of the fixed-for-fixed option pricing model. As such, the Company recorded the Warrants as liabilities initially measured at fair value with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in earnings each reporting period.

The measurement of fair value was determined utilizing a Monte Carlo simulation considering all relevant assumptions current at the date of issuance (i.e., share price, exercise price, term, volatility, risk-free rate, probability of dilutive term of three years, and expected time to conversion). As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the fair value of the Warrants, as determined by the Monte Carlo simulation option pricing model, were \$233,000 and \$641,000, respectively.

If the per share market value of one share of Class A Common Stock is greater than the then-current exercise price, then GEM will have the option to exercise the GEM Warrant on a cashless basis and receive a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to (x) the number of shares of Class A Common Stock purchasable upon exercise of all of the GEM Warrant or, if only a portion of the GEM Warrant is being exercised, the portion of the GEM Warrant being exercised, less (y) the product of the then-current exercise price and

the number of shares of Class A Common Stock purchasable upon exercise of all of the GEM Warrant or, if only a portion of the GEM Warrant is being exercised, the portion of the GEM Warrant being exercised, divided by the per share market value of one share of Class A Common Stock.

The GEM Warrant may not be exercised if such exercise would result in the beneficial ownership of the holder and its affiliates in excess of 9.99% of the then-issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock.

## 13. Simple Agreements for Future Equity

Simple Agreements for Future Equity - Related Party

During 2021, the Company entered into Simple Agreements for Future Equity (SAFE) arrangements with related parties Alco, DNX and William Bryant (See *Note 11 - Debt*, for a description of the related party relationship with these entities) (the "Related Party SAFEs") pursuant to which the Company received gross proceeds in the amount of \$3,567,000. In the event of an Equity Financing (as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the Related Party SAFEs will automatically convert into shares of the Company's common or preferred stock at a discount of 15% of the per share price of the shares offered in the Equity Financing (the "Discount Price"). In the event of a Liquidity Event, SPAC Transaction or Dissolution Event (all terms as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the holders of the Related Party SAFEs will be entitled to receive cash or shares of the Company's common or preferred stock. The Related Party SAFEs were recorded as a liability in accordance with the applicable accounting guidance as they are redeemable for cash upon contingent events that are outside of the Company's control. The initial fair value of the Related Party SAFE liability was \$3,567,000. Subsequent changes in fair value at each reporting period are recognized in the consolidated statement of operations. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, the Company recognized a loss of \$303,139 for the change in fair value of the Related Party SAFE liability.

The Company utilizes a combination of scenario-based methods and Monte Carlo simulation to determine the fair value of the Related Party SAFE liability as of the valuation dates. Key inputs into these models included the timing and probability of the identified scenarios, and for Black-Scholes option pricing models used for notes that included a valuation cap, equity values, risk-free rate and volatility.

On December 14, 2023, all outstanding principal related to the Related Party SAFEs at a carrying value of \$6,049,766 converted into 551,949 shares the Company's Class A Common Stock pursuant to the close of the Merger Agreement and application of the exchange ratio.

Simple Agreements for Future Equity - Third Party

During 2021, the Company entered into Simple Agreements for Future Equity (SAFE) arrangements with third party investors (the "Third Party SAFEs") pursuant to which the Company received gross proceeds in the amount of \$269,000. In the event of an Equity Financing (as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the Third Party SAFEs will automatically convert into shares of the Company's common or preferred stock at a discount of 15% of the per share price of the shares offered in the Equity Financing (the "Discount Price"). In the event of a Liquidity Event, SPAC Transaction or Dissolution Event (all terms as defined in the SAFEs agreements), the holders of the Third Party SAFEs will be entitled to receive cash or shares of the Company's common or preferred stock. The Third Party SAFEs were recorded as a liability in accordance with the applicable accounting guidance as they are redeemable for cash upon contingent events that are outside of the Company's control. The initial fair value of the Third Party SAFE liability was \$269,000. Subsequent changes in fair value at each reporting period are recognized in the Consolidated Statement of Operations. For the three months ended March 31, 2023, the Company recognized a loss of \$22,861 for the change in fair value of the Third Party SAFE liability.

The Company utilizes a combination of scenario-based methods and Monte Carlo simulation to determine the fair value of the Third Party SAFE liability as of the valuation dates. Key inputs into these models included the timing and probability of the identified scenarios, and for Black-Scholes option pricing models used for notes that included a valuation cap, equity values, risk-free rate and volatility.

On December 14, 2023, all outstanding principal related to the Third Party SAFEs at a carrying value of \$456,234 converted into 41,626 shares the Company's Class A Common Stock pursuant to the close of the Merger Agreement and application of the exchange ratio.

## 14. Commitments and Contingencies

#### Leases

The Company has operating leases for its real estate across multiple states. The operating leases have remaining lease terms of approximately 0.51 years as of March 31, 2024 and consist primarily of office space.

The lease agreements generally do not provide an implicit borrowing rate. Therefore, the Company used a benchmark approach to derive an appropriate incremental borrowing rate to discount remaining lease payments.

Leases with an initial term of twelve months or less are not recorded on the balance sheet. There are no material residual guarantees associated with any of the Company's leases, and there are no significant restrictions or covenants included in the Company's lease agreements. Certain leases include variable payments related to common area maintenance and property taxes, which are billed by the landlord, as is customary with these types of charges for office space. The Company has not entered into any lease arrangements with related parties.

The Company's existing leases contain escalation clauses and renewal options. The Company is not reasonably certain that renewal options will be exercised upon expiration of the initial terms of its existing leases.

The Company entered into a sublease which it has identified as an operating lease prior to the adoption of ASC 842 *Leases*. The Company remains the primary obligor to the head lease lessor, making rental payments directly to the lessor and separately billing the sublessee. The sublease is subordinate to the master lease, and the sublessee must comply with all applicable terms of the master lease. The Company subleased the real estate to a third-party at a monthly rental payment amount that was less than the monthly cost that it pays on the headlease with the lessor.

The components of lease expense, are as follows:

	For the Three Months Ended March 31,				
Components of lease expense:	202	4	2023		
Operating lease cost	\$	47,244	\$	51,448	
Sublease income		(52,542)		(51,083)	
Total lease (income) cost	\$	(5,298)	\$	366	

Supplemental cash flow information related to leases are as follows:

	For t	For the Three Months Ended March 3			
Supplemental cash flow information:		2024 2023			
Cash paid for amounts included in the measurement of lease liabilities:					
Non-cash lease expense (operating cash flow)	\$	43,705	\$	43,086	
Change in lease liabilities (operating cash flow)		(75,078)		(68,373)	

Supplemental balance sheet information related to leases was as follows:

Operating leases:	March 31, 202	4	<b>December 31, 202</b>		
Operating lease right-of-use assets	\$ 90	),308	\$	134,013	
Operating lease liability, current	158	3,965		234,043	
Total operating lease liabilities	\$ 158	3,965	\$	234,043	
Weighted-average remaining lease term:	March 31, 20	)24	December	31, 2023	
Operating leases (in years)		0.51		0.76	
Weighted-average discount rate:	March 31, 20	)24	December	31, 2023	
Operating leases		6.78%		6.76	

Future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable lease as of March 31, 2024, are as follows:

## Maturities of lease liabilities:

\$ 162,202
162,202
 (3,237)
\$ 158,965
\$

## Cantor Fee Agreement

In connection with the Merger, 7GC previously agreed to pay Cantor an Original Deferred Fee of \$8,050,000 as deferred underwriting commissions. On November 8, 2023, Cantor and 7GC entered into a Fee Reduction Agreement, pursuant to which Cantor agreed to forfeit \$4,050,000 of the \$8,050,000 Original Deferred Fee, with the remaining \$4,000,000 Reduced Deferred Fee payable by Banzai to Cantor following the Closing of the Merger.

Pursuant to the Fee Reduction Agreement, the Company agreed to use its reasonable best efforts to have the registration statement declared effective by the SEC by the 120th calendar day after December 29, 2023, the date of the initial filing thereof, and to maintain the effectiveness of such registration statement until the earliest to occur of (i) the second anniversary of the date of the effectiveness thereof, (ii) the Cantor Fee Shares shall have been sold, transferred, disposed of or exchanged by Cantor, and (iii) the Cantor Fee Shares issued to Cantor may be sold without registration pursuant to Rule 144 under the Securities Act (such obligations, the "Cantor Registration Rights Obligations").

Although the Company issued the Cantor Fee Shares, as of March 31, 2024, the Company has not satisfied its Cantor Registration Rights Obligations. As such, the Company cannot conclude that it has settled its outstanding obligations to Cantor. Therefore, neither criteria under ASC 405 for extinguishment and derecognition of the liability were satisfied and the \$4,000,000 Reduced Deferred Fee remained outstanding as a current liability on the Company's March 31, 2024 condensed consolidated balance sheet.

At each interim and annual period after December 31, 2023, the Company will monitor its compliance with the Cantor Registration Rights Obligations to determine whether the entire amount of the Reduced Deferred Fee has become due and payable in cash, or the Company's obligations have been satisfied and the remaining liability should be derecognized. At such time as the Company's obligations under the Fee Reduction Agreement have been satisfied the relief of the liability will be recorded through equity.

## Roth Addendum to Letter Agreements

On October 13, 2022, Roth Capital Partners, LLC ("Roth") and Legacy Banzai entered into the Roth Engagement Letter, pursuant to which Legacy Banzai engaged Roth as a financial advisor in connection with the Merger and, on October 14, 2022, MKM and 7GC entered into the MKM Engagement Letter, pursuant to which 7GC engaged MKM as a financial advisor in connection with the Merger. In February 2023, Roth acquired MKM. On December 8, 2023, the Company received an invoice from Roth for an advisory fee in the amount of \$1,100,000 as well as transaction expenses reimbursable to Roth amounting to \$6,813. As of December 31, 2023, the Company recorded a liability for the total advisory fee of \$1,106,813 to accrued expenses.

On February 2, 2024, the Company and Roth entered into an addendum to (i) the engagement letter, dated October 13, 2022, by and between Roth and Legacy Banzai, and (ii) the engagement letter, dated October 14, 2022, by and between Roth (as successor to MKM Partners, LLC) and 7GC (such engagement agreements, collectively, the "Roth Engagement Agreements," and such addendum, the "Roth Addendum"). Pursuant to the Roth Addendum, in lieu of payment in cash of the full amount of any advisory fees or other fees or expenses, incurred in 2024, and owed under the Roth Engagement Agreements (collectively, the "Roth Fee"), the Company (i) issued to Roth 175,000 shares (the "Roth Shares") of the Company's Class A Common Stock on February 2, 2024, and (ii) on or before June 30, 2024, will pay to Roth an amount in cash equal to \$300,000 or, if the Company determines that such payment should not be made in cash due to the Company's cash position at such time, issue to Roth a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to \$300,000 divided by the daily VWAP for the trading day immediately preceding June 30, 2024 (any such shares, the "Additional Roth Shares"). The Company registered the Roth Shares and 600,000 shares of Class A Common Stock (in addition to the Roth Shares) on a registration statement to cover any issuances of Additional Roth Shares (which may be more or less than 600,000) that may occur pursuant to the Roth Addendum. This registration statement became effective on February 14, 2024. The \$300,000 cash payment has not yet been made as of the date of filing of these condensed consolidated financial statements.

On February 2, 2024, the Company issued the 175,000 Roth Shares with a fair value of \$278,833 on the date of issuance. As neither the remaining \$300,000 cash payment, nor any Additional Roth Shares had been paid or issued to Roth, as of March 31, 2024, \$300,000 will remain as an accrued expense on the Company's condensed consolidated balance sheet, payable to Roth on or before June 30, 2024. Therefore, the 175,000 shares are determined to settle \$806,813 of the obligation recognized as of December 31, 2023, resulting in gain

of \$577,513 that has been recognized as a gain on extinguishment of liability on the Company's condensed consolidated statement of operations.

## Legal Matters

In the regular course of business affairs and operations, the Company is subject to possible loss contingencies arising from third-party litigation and federal, state, and local environmental, labor, health and safety laws and regulations. The Company assesses the probability that they may incur a liability in connection with certain of these lawsuits. The Company's assessments are made in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, as codified in ASC 450-20, and is not an admission of any liability on the part of the Company or any of its subsidiaries. In certain cases that are in the early stages and in light of the uncertainties surrounding them, the Company does not currently possess sufficient information to determine a range of reasonably possible liability.

## 15. Equity

## Class A and B Common Stock

The Company is authorized to issue up to 275,000,000 shares, consisting of 250,000,000 Class A Common Stock, and 25,000,000 shares of Class B Common Stock par value \$0.0001 per share.

As discussed in *Note 4 - Reverse Merger Capitalization with 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc.*, the Company has retroactively adjusted the shares issued and outstanding prior to December 14, 2023 to give effect to the Exchange Ratio to determine the number of shares of Company Common Stock into which they were converted.

The Class A Common Stock and Class B Common Stock entitle their holders to one vote per share and ten votes per share, respectively, on each matter properly submitted to the stockholders entitled to vote thereon. The holders of shares of Common Stock shall be entitled to receive dividends declared by the Board of Directors, on a pro rata basis based on the number of shares of Common Stock held by each such holder, assuming conversion of all Class B Common Stock into Class A Common Stock at a one to one conversion ratio.

There were 20,221,589 shares (17,910,455 Class A common stock and 2,311,134 Class B common stock) issued and outstanding at March 31, 2024 and 16,019,256 shares (13,708,122 Class A common stock and 2,311,134 Class B common stock) issued and outstanding at December 31, 2023.

#### Preferred Stock

The Company is authorized to issue 75,000,000 shares of preferred stock with a par value of \$0.0001 per share. The board of directors of the Company (the "Board") has the authority to issue preferred stock and to determine the rights, privileges, preferences, restrictions, and voting rights of those shares. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, no shares of preferred stock were outstanding.

# Yorkville Standby Equity Purchase Agreement ("SEPA")

On December 14, 2023, the Company entered into the SEPA with YA II PN, LTD, a Cayman Islands exempt limited partnership managed by Yorkville Advisors Global, LP ("Yorkville") in connection with the Merger. Pursuant to the SEPA, subject to certain conditions, the Company shall have the option, but not the obligation, to sell to Yorkville, and Yorkville shall subscribe for, an aggregate amount of up to up to \$100,000,000 of the Company's shares of Class A common stock, par value \$0.0001 per share, at the Company's request any time during the commitment period commencing on December 14, 2023 and terminating on the 36-month anniversary of the SEPA (the "SEPA Option").

Each advance (each, an "Advance") the Company requests under the SEPA (notice of such request, an "Advance Notice") may be for a number of shares of Class A common stock up to the greater of (i) 500,000 shares or (ii) such amount as is equal to 100% of the average daily volume traded of the Class A common stock during the five trading days immediately prior to the date the Company requests each Advance; provided, in no event shall the number of shares of Class A common stock issued cause the aggregate shares of Class A common stock held by Yorkville and its affiliates as of any such date to exceed 9.99% of the total number of shares of Class A common stock outstanding as of the date of the Advance Notice (less any such shares held by Yorkville and its affiliates as of such date) (the "Exchange Cap"). The shares would be purchased, at the Company's election, at a purchase price equal to either:

- (i) 95% of the average daily Volume Weighted Average Price ("VWAP") of the Class A Common Stock on the Nasdaq Stock Market ("Nasdaq"), subject to certain conditions per the SEPA (the "Option 1 Pricing Period; or
- (ii) 96% of the lowest daily VWAP of the Class A Common Stock during the three trading days commencing on the Advance Notice date, subject to certain conditions per the SEPA (the "Option 2 Pricing Period").

Any purchase under an Advance would be subject to certain limitations, including that Yorkville shall not purchase or acquire any shares that would result in it and its affiliates beneficially owning more than 9.99% of the then outstanding voting power or number of shares of Class A common stock or any shares that, aggregated with shares issued under all other earlier Advances, would exceed 19.99% of all shares of Class A common stock and Class B common stock of the Company, par value \$0.0001 per share, outstanding on the date of the SEPA, unless Company shareholder approval was obtained allowing for issuances in excess of such amount.

The SEPA Option was determined to be a freestanding financial instrument which did not meet the criteria to be accounted for as a derivative instrument or to be recognized within equity. Pursuant to ASC 815 *Derivatives and Hedging* ("ASC 815"), the Company will therefore recognize the SEPA Option as an asset or liability, measured at fair value at the date of issuance, December 14, 2023, and in subsequent reporting periods, with changes in fair value recognized in earnings. The SEPA Option was determined to have a fair value of \$0 on the date of issuance as well as at December 31, 2023 and March 31, 2024

In connection with the execution of the SEPA, the Company agreed to pay a commitment fee of \$500,000 to Yorkville at the earlier of (i) March 14, 2024 or (ii) the termination of the SEPA, which will be payable, at the option of the Company, in cash or shares of Class A common stock through an Advance (the "Deferred Fee"). In March 2024 the Company issued 710,025 Class A common stock as payment for the Deferred Fee.

Pursuant to the terms of the SEPA, at any time that there is a balance outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Note, Yorkville has the right to receive shares to pay down the principal balance, and may select the timing and delivery of such shares (via an "Investor Notice"), in an amount up to the outstanding principal balance on the Yorkville Convertible Note at a purchase price equal to the lower of (i) \$10.00 per share of Class A common stock (the "Fixed Price"), or (ii) 90% of the lowest daily Volume Weighted Average Price ("VWAP") of the Class A common stock on Nasdaq during the 10 consecutive Trading Days immediately price the Investor Notice date or other date of determination (the "Variable Price"). The Variable Price shall not be lower than \$2.00 per share (the "Floor Price"). The Floor Price shall be adjusted (downwards only) to equal 20% of the average VWAP for the five trading days immediately prior to the date of effectiveness of the initial Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Company may reduce the Floor Price to any amount via written notice to Yorkville, provided that such amount is no more than 75% of the closing price on the Trading Day immediately prior to the time of such reduction and no greater than \$2.00 per share of Class A common stock (the "Conversion Price"). At any time that there is a balance outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Note, the Company is not permitted to issue Advance Notices under the SEPA unless an Amortization Event has occurred under the terms of the Yorkville Convertible Note agreement.

There were no Advance Notices issued pursuant to the SEPA during the three months ended March 31, 2024 or as of the date that these financial statements were issued.

## 16. Stock-Based Compensation

During 2023, the Company adopted the 2023 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). The Plan permits the granting of incentive stock options, nonstatutory stock options, SARs, restricted stock awards, RSU awards, performance awards, and other awards. to employees, directors, and consultants. The aggregate number of shares of common stock that may be issued will not exceed approximately 12.5% of the fully diluted common stock determined at the Close of the Merger. In addition, the aggregate number of shares of common stock will automatically increase on January 1 of each year for a period of ten years commencing on January 1, 2024 and ending on January 1, 2033, in an amount equal to 5% of the total number of shares of the fully diluted common stock determined as of the day prior to such increase. The aggregate maximum number of shares of common stock that may be issued pursuant to the exercise of incentive stock options is approximately three times the total number of shares of common stock initially reserved for issuance. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, 2,848,823 and 572,172 stock options remain available to be awarded under the Plan, respectively.

The Company accounts for stock-based payments pursuant to ASC 718 *Stock Compensation* and, accordingly, the Company records compensation expense for stock-based awards based upon an assessment of the grant date fair value for options using the Black-Scholes option pricing model. The Company has concluded that its historical share option exercise experience does not provide a reasonable basis upon which to estimate expected term. Therefore, the expected term was determined according to the simplified method, which is the average of the vesting tranche dates and the contractual term. Due to the lack of company specific historical and implied volatility data, the estimate of expected volatility is primarily based on the historical volatility of a group of similar companies that are publicly traded. For these analyses, companies with comparable characteristics were selected, including enterprise value and position within the industry, and with historical share price information sufficient to meet the expected life of the share-based awards. The Company computes the historical volatility data using the daily closing prices for the selected companies' shares during the equivalent periods of the calculated expected term of its share-based awards. The risk-free interest rate is determined by reference to the U.S. Treasury zero-coupon issues with remaining maturities similar to the expected term of the options. Expected dividend yield is zero based on the fact that the Company has never paid cash dividends and does not expect to pay any cash dividends in the foreseeable future.

The following table summarizes assumptions used to compute the fair value of options granted:

	Ma	rch 31, 2024	March 31, 2023		
Stock price	\$	0.61		\$8.22 - 8.58	
Exercise price	\$	0.61	\$	11.98	
Expected volatility		75.0 - 76.0%		80.00 - 81.13%	
Expected term (in years)		5.75 - 6.08		5.25 - 6.08	
Risk-free interest rate		4.2 %		4.28 - 4.31%	

A summary of stock option activity under the Plan is as follows:

	Shares Underlying Options	A E	eighted verage xercise Price	Weighted Average Remaining Contractual Term (in years)	I	ntrinsic Value
Outstanding at December 31, 2023	748,086	\$	5.87	8.43	\$	103,662
Granted	54,000		0.61	10.00		
Exercised	_		_			
Expired	_		_			
Forfeited	(714)		2.82			
Outstanding at March 31, 2024	801,372	\$	5.52	8.31	\$	13,245
Exercisable at March 31, 2024	344,304	\$	4.23	7.31	\$	13,191

In connection with issuances under the Plan, the Company recorded stock-based compensation expense of \$252,967 and \$402,448, which is included in general and administrative expense for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. The weighted-average grant-date fair value per option granted during the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 was \$0.61 and \$8.48, respectively. As of March 31, 2024 and 2023, \$2,364,604 and \$2,644,032 of unrecognized compensation expense related to non-vested awards is expected to be recognized over the weighted average period of 1.37 and 3.14 years, respectively. The aggregate intrinsic value is calculated as the difference between the fair value of the Company's stock price and the exercise price of the options.

# RSUs

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company began issuing RSUs to non-employee directors. Each RSU entitles the recipient to one share of Class A Common Stock upon vesting. We measure the fair value of RSUs using the stock price on the date of grant. Stock-based compensation expense for RSUs is recorded ratably over their vesting period.

A summary of the activity with respect to, and status of, RSUs during the three months ended March 31, 2024 is presented below:

	Units	Grant l	d Average Date Fair alue
Outstanding at December 31, 2023	_	\$	_
Granted	673,253		0.61
Vested	_		_
Forfeited	_		_
Outstanding at March 31, 2024	673,253	\$	0.61

As of March 31, 2024, unrecognized compensation cost related to the grant of RSUs was \$411,358. Unvested outstanding RSUs as of March 31, 2024 had a weighted average remaining vesting period of 1 year.

## 17. Income Taxes

The Company estimates an annual effective tax rate of 0% for the year ended December 31, 2024 as the Company incurred losses for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 and is forecasting an estimated net loss for both financial statement and tax purposes for the year ended December 31, 2024. Therefore, no federal or state income taxes are expected and none have been recorded at this time. Income taxes have been accounted for using the liability method in accordance with FASB ASC 740.

Due to the Company's history of losses since inception, there is not enough evidence at this time to support that the Company will generate future income of a sufficient amount and nature to utilize the benefits of its net deferred tax assets. Accordingly, the deferred tax assets have been reduced by a full valuation allowance, since the Company cannot currently support that realization of its deferred tax assets is more likely than not.

At March 31, 2024 and 2023, the Company had no unrecognized tax benefits that would reduce the Company's effective tax rate if recognized.

## 18. Subsequent Events

On April 18, 2024, the Company amended the Alco August Promissory Note and Alco November Promissory Note to extend the maturity dates of each note to May 31, 2024.

On May 1, 2024, the Company issued 260,443 shares of the Company's Class A common stock to GEM pursuant to the Unsecured Promissory Note, dated February 5, 2024, between the Company and GEM.

On May 2, 2024, the Company received Investor Notice No. 4 under the SEPA to purchase \$100,000 shares of the Company's Class A common stock. Pursuant to receipt of the Investor Notice, the Company issued 334,336 shares of the Company's Class A common stock to Yorkville at a purchase price of \$0.2991. The issuance amounted to an offset of \$100,000 against the Company's outstanding principal under the then-outstanding Promissory Notes.

On May 3, 2024, the Company and Yorkville entered into a Debt Repayment Agreement (the "Debt Repayment Agreement") acknowledging as of the effective date of the Debt Repayment Agreement, that the February Promissory Note had been fully repaid and as of the effective date, \$2,800,000 of principal remains outstanding under the Yorkville Promissory Notes. Pursuant to the Debt Repayment Agreement, Yorkville shall not (i) deliver any Investor Notice (as defined above pursuant to the SEPA), or (ii) exercise its right to convert all or any portion of any outstanding Promissory Notes after the effective date, for the duration of the standstill period (the "Standstill"). The Standstill is such that within three (3) business days upon the closing of a registered offering, the Company shall (i) pay to Yorkville certain repayment proceeds against outstanding Promissory Notes then-outstanding, and (ii) deliver to Yorkville an Advance Notice. Yorkville has agreed that on the date of such a closing of a registered offering, for ninety (90) days after the closing, (A) it will (i) deliver to the Company and Investor Notice pursuant to the SEPA, or (ii) exercise its Conversion Right and (B) any obligation of the Company to make any monthly payments of the Promissory Notes shall be suspended for the duration of the Standstill period. Additionally, the Company and Yorkville have agreed that upon commencement of the Standstill period, the Floor Price pursuant to the then-outstanding Promissory Notes, shall be adjusted to a price to be mutually agreed between the Company and Yorkville, and upon commencement of the Standstill period, the maturity date of each of the then-outstanding Promissory Notes shall be extended by one hundred and twenty (120) days after the closing of such a registered offering.

On May 6, 2024, the Company issued 320,000 shares of the Company's Class A common stock as compensation pursuant to a business development and general consulting services agreement entered into in April 2024.

In May, 2024, Yorkville submitted a Conversion Notice, related to the purchase of common shares of the Company, with the aggregate purchase price of those shares offset against amounts outstanding by the Company under the Pre-Paid Yorkville Convertible Notes. Once issued, Yorkville will have purchased 360,136 shares, for a total aggregate purchase consideration of \$100,000. The conversion prices applicable to this purchase is approximately \$0.28 per share.

On May 14, 2024, the Compensation Committee of the Board of Directors (the "Compensation Committee") of the Company approved the grant of options for the purchase of up to 1,200,000 shares of the Company's Class A common stock, to various executive employees of the Company, under the Company's 2023 Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"). These options vest immediately as of the grant date, have a term of 10 years and have exercise prices ranging from \$1 to \$5. On this same date, the Compensation Committee approved the issuance of further options for the purchase of up to 144,500 shares of the Company's Class A common stock, to various employees and outside contractors, under the Plan. These options vest over a period of four years, have a term of 10 years and with an exercise price equal to the closing market price of the Company's Class A common stock, on the grant date. Further, on this same date, the Compensation Committee approved the issuance of 219,290 RSU's covering shares of Company's Class A common stock, to various employees and outside contractors, under the Plan. These RSU's vest over a period of four years.

# Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations.

The following discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations should be read in conjunction with our unaudited condensed consolidated financial statements and related notes that are included elsewhere in this Form 10-Q. In addition to historical condensed consolidated financial information, the following discussion contains forward-looking statements that reflect our plans, estimates and beliefs. Our actual results could differ materially from those discussed in the forward-looking statements. Factors that could cause or contribute to these differences include those discussed below and elsewhere particularly in the section titled "Risk Factors" and elsewhere in this Form 10-Q.

Certain figures, such as interest rates and other percentages, included in this section have been rounded for ease of presentation. Percentage figures included in this section have not in all cases been calculated on the basis of such rounded figures but on the basis of such amounts prior to rounding. For this reason, percentage amounts in this section may vary slightly from those obtained by performing the same calculations using the figures in our condensed consolidated financial statements or in the associated text. Certain other amounts that appear in this section may similarly not sum due to rounding.

## Overview

Banzai is a Marketing Technology (MarTech) company that produces data-driven marketing and sales solutions for businesses of all sizes. Our mission is to help our customers accomplish their mission - by enabling better marketing, sales, and customer engagement outcomes. Banzai endeavors to acquire companies strategically positioned to enhance our product and service offerings, increasing the value provided to current and prospective customers.

Banzai was founded in 2015. The first product Banzai launched was Reach, a SaaS and managed services offering designed to increase registration and attendance of marketing events, followed by the acquisition of Demio, a SaaS solution for webinars designed for marketing, sales, and customer success teams, in 2021 and the launch of Boost, a SaaS solution for social sharing designed to increase attendance for Demio-hosted events by enabling easy social sharing by event registrants, in 2023. Our customer base included over 2,767 customers as of March 31, 2024 and comes from a variety of industries, including (among others) healthcare, financial services, e-commerce, technology and media, in over 86 countries. Our customers range in size from solo entrepreneurs and small businesses to Fortune 500 companies. No single customer represents more than 10% of our revenue. Since 2021, we have focused on increasing mid-market and enterprise customers for Demio. Progress towards this is reflected in our increase in multi-host Demio customers from 14 on January 1, 2021 to 119 on March 31, 2024.

We sell our products using a recurring subscription license model typical in SaaS businesses. Pricing tiers for our main product, Demio, are based on the number of host-capable users, desired feature sets, and maximum audience size. Boost pricing tiers are based on the Demio plan to which the customer subscribes. Reach pricing is based on the number of event campaigns a customer has access to run simultaneously or the maximum number of registrations a customer is allowed to generate per subscription period. Banzai's customer contracts vary in term length from single months to multiple years.

Banzai generated revenue of approximately \$1.1 million and \$1.2 million in the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Banzai has incurred significant net losses since inception, including net losses of \$4.5 million and \$3.8 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, respectively. Banzai had an accumulated deficit of \$51.3 million and of \$46.8 million as of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, respectively.

## **Summary of our Merger**

On December 14, 2023, we consummated the Business Combination with Legacy Banzai. Pursuant to the terms of the Merger Agreement, the Business Combination was effected through (a) the merger of First Merger Sub with and into Legacy Banzai, with Legacy Banzai surviving as a whollyowned subsidiary of 7GC and (b) the subsequent merger of Legacy Banzai with and into Second Merger Sub, with the Second Merger Sub being the surviving entity of the Second Merger, which ultimately resulted in Legacy Banzai becoming a wholly-owned direct subsidiary of 7GC. Upon closing the Business Combination, we changed our name from 7GC & Co. Holdings Inc. to Banzai International, Inc.

A description of the Business Combination and the material terms of the Merger Agreement are included in the Proxy Statement/Prospectus, filed by the Company with the SEC in the section entitled "Stockholder Proposal No. 1 - The Business Combination Proposal" beginning on page 92 of the Proxy Statement/Prospectus.

## **Operating Metrics**

In the management of our businesses, we identify, measure, and evaluate a variety of operating metrics, as described below. These key performance measures and operating metrics are not prepared in accordance with GAAP and may not be comparable to or calculated

in the same way as other similarly titled measures and metrics used by other companies. Measurements are specific to the group being measured, i.e. total customers, new customers, or other cohorts. We currently use these operating metrics with our Demio product. We do not track and use these operating metrics with prior products.

The following table presents the percentage of Banzai's revenue generated from Demio for three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023 as compared to our other SaaS products.

Revenue %	Three Months Ended March 31, 2024	Three Months Ended March 31, 2023
Reach	1.0%	7.0%
Demio	99.0%	93.0%
Other	0.0%	0.0%
Total	100.0%	100.0%

## Net Revenue Retention ("NRR")

NRR is a metric Banzai uses to measure the revenue retention of its existing customer base. NRR calculates the change in revenue from existing customers by cohort over a period of time, after taking into account revenue lost due to customer churn and downgrades, and revenue gained due to upgrades and reactivations.

The formula for calculating NRR is: NRR = (Revenue at the beginning of a period - Revenue lost from churn, and downgrades + Revenue gained from expansion and reactivation) / Revenue at the beginning of the period.

The following table presents average monthly NRR for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Three Months	Three Months
	Ended	Ended
	March 31,	March 31,
<u>Product: Demio</u>	2024	2023
Average Monthly NRR	97.2%	96.3 %

## Average Customer Value ("ACV")

ACV is a metric Banzai uses to calculate the total revenue that it can expect to generate from a customer in a year. ACV is commonly used in the SaaS industry to measure the value of a customer to a subscription-based company over a 12-month period. Banzai uses ACV to segment its customers and to determine whether the value of new customers is growing or shrinking relative to the existing customer base. Banzai uses this information to make strategic decisions about pricing, marketing, and customer retention.

The formula for calculating ACV is: ACV = Total Annual Recurring Revenue (ARR) / Total Number Customers, where ARR is defined as annual run-rate revenue of subscription agreements from all customers measured at a point in time.

The following table presents new customer ACV and total average ACV for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
<u>Product: Demio</u>	2024		2023
New Customer ACV	\$ 1,484	\$	1,376
Total Average ACV	\$ 1,499	\$	1,289

## Customer Acquisition Cost ("CAC")

CAC is a financial metric Banzai uses to evaluate the average cost of acquiring a new customer. It includes marketing, sales, and other related expenses incurred while attracting and converting prospects into paying customers. CAC is a critical metric for Banzai to understand the efficiency and effectiveness of its marketing and sales efforts, as well as to ensure sustainable growth.

The formula for calculating CAC is: CAC = Total Sales & Marketing Cost / Number of Customers Acquired.

The following table presents CAC for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Three Months	Three Month	rs
	Ended	Ended	
	March 31,	March 31,	
<u>Product: Demio</u>	2024	2023	
Customer Acquisition Cost (CAC)	\$ 1,220	\$	884

#### Customer Churn %

Customer Churn % is the rate of customers who deactivate in a given period relative to the number of active customers at the beginning of such period or end of the prior period. Understanding drivers of churn allows Banzai to take measures to reduce the number of customers who deactivate and increase the overall rate of customer retention. There are two types of Churn % measured: Revenue churn and Customer (or logo) churn.

The formula for calculating Churn % is: Churn % = [# or \$ value of] Deactivations / [# or \$ value of] Active Customers (Beginning of period).

The following table presents revenue Churn and new customer (or logo) Churn for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Three Months	Three Months
	Ended	Ended
	March 31,	March 31,
<u>Product: Demio</u>	2024	2023
Average Monthly Churn - Revenue	5.2 %	8.1 %
Average Monthly Churn - Customer (Logo)	6.3 %	8.8%

Churn - Customer (Logo) represents the number of customers, whereas the non-Logo Churn is based on sales dollars.

## Customer Lifetime Value ("LTV")

LTV is a financial metric Banzai uses to estimate the total revenue it can expect to generate from a customer throughout their entire relationship. LTV helps Banzai understand the long-term value of each customer, enabling it to make informed decisions about

marketing, sales, customer support, and product development strategies. It also helps Banzai allocate resources more efficiently by identifying high-value customer segments to focus on growth and retention.

The formula for calculating LTV is comprised of two metrics: Monthly Recurring Revenue (MRR) and Customer Life represented in # of months. Calculations for these metrics on a per-customer basis, as follows:

MRR = ACV / 12 Customer Life (# of months) = 1 / Churn % LTV = MRR \* Customer Life (# of months)

MRR is calculated by aggregating, for all customers from customer base or the group being measured during that month, monthly revenue from committed contractual amounts. For customers on annual contracts, this represents their ACV divided by 12.

The following table presents MRR, Customer Life, and LTV for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

Product: Demio	Mo	Three Months Ended March 31, 2024		ree Months Ended March 31, 2023
MRR (New Customers)	\$	125	\$	107
Customer Life (months)		19.2		12.4
LTV (New Customers)	\$	2,376	\$	1,423

## LTV / CAC Ratio

LTV / CAC ratio is a culminating metric measuring the efficiency of Sales and Marketing activities in terms of the dollar value of new business generated versus the amount invested in order to generate that new business. This provides a measurement of ROI for Sales and Marketing activities. A segmented view of LTV / CAC ratio gives additional insight into the profitability of various business development activities.

The formula for calculating LTV / CAC ratio is: LTV / CAC for the segment or activity being measured.

The following table presents the LTV / CAC ratio for Demio for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023.

	Three Months	Three Months
	Ended	Ended
	March 31,	March 31,
<u>Product: Demio</u>	2024	2023
LTV / CAC Ratio	2.0	1.5

# Analysis of the Impact of Key Business Drivers on Financial Performance

Banzai strives to maximize revenue growth within a reasonable cost structure through optimizing and continuous monitoring of the key business metrics described above relative to SaaS industry benchmarks, Banzai's direct competition, and historical company performance. This is accomplished through a combination of increased revenue per customer (higher ACVs and NRR) on an increasing customer base, generated through efficient customer acquisition (LTV / CAC ratio) and improved customer retention (lower churn, higher customer life). Other business activities contribute to improved performance and metrics, including but not limited to the following:

- Customer Success and Onboarding, leading to maximum customer satisfaction and retention.
- Product Development and Support, maximizing customer value, supporting usage and expansion revenue.
- Company Initiatives, designed to improve trial experience and conversion rates, on-demand adoption, and emphasis on data to position our products as a system of automation and a system of record for our customers, supporting growth and retention.

## **Identification of Operational Risk Factors**

There are a number of key internal and external operational risks to the successful execution of Banzai's strategy.

Internal risks include, among others:

- Management and leadership issues: ineffective leadership, poor decision-making, or lack of direction.
- Operational inefficiencies: inadequate processes and poor resource allocation may lead to decreased productivity or insufficient ROI.
- Financial mismanagement: inadequate financial planning, improper accounting practices, or excessive debt can lead to financial instability.
- Employee-related challenges: high turnover, lack of skilled staff, or internal conflicts can impact morale and productivity.
- Technological obsolescence: failing to develop (or adapt) to new technologies in anticipation or response to changes in market trends can lead to competitive disadvantages.

External risks include, among others:

- Economic factors: including economic downturns, inflation, or currency fluctuations impacting business spending and overall market conditions
- Competition: from established industry players to new entrants, eroding market share and profitability.
- Legal and regulatory: changes in laws or regulations that impact operations or increase compliance costs.
- Technological disruptions: from advancements in technology leading to obsolescence of existing products.
- Unforeseen events: including natural disasters, geo-political instability, and pandemics, potentially impacting market demand, operational or supply chain disruption.

# Analysis of the Impact of Operational Risks on Financial Performance

The risk factors described above could have significant impacts on Banzai's financial performance. These or other factors, including those risk factors summarized in the section titled "Risk Factors" could impact Banzai's ability to generate and grow revenue, contain costs, or inhibit profitability, cash flow, and overall financial performance:

- Revenue and Sales: Internal risks from operating inefficiency or external factors, including economic downturns or increased competition, could lead to lower sales, impaired unit economics, and reduced revenue.
- Costs and Expenses: Internal operating mismanagement or external factors, including supplier issues, may cause increased cost relative to revenue generation, resulting in insufficient return on investment or profit margins.

By continuing to conduct comprehensive risk monitoring and analysis on financial performance, Banzai can optimize its ability to make informed decisions and improve its ability to navigate internal and external challenges. Such activities include: identification and categorization of risks, quantification and analysis of potential severity, and development of risk mitigation strategies. It is also important for Banzai to ensure financial reports and disclosures accurately reflect the potential impact of risks on financial performance, essential for transparent communication with investors and stakeholders.

# The Business Combination and Public Company Costs

The Business Combination was accounted for as a reverse recapitalization. Under this method of accounting, 7GC was treated as the acquired company for financial statement reporting purposes. Accordingly, for accounting purposes, the financial statements of Banzai represent a continuation of the financial statements of Legacy Banzai with the Business Combination treated as the equivalent of Legacy Banzai issuing stock for the net assets of 7GC, accompanied by a recapitalization. The net assets of 7GC were stated at

historical cost, with no goodwill or other intangible assets recorded. Operations prior to the Business Combination are those of Legacy Banzai in this and future reports of Banzai.

As a consequence of the Business Combination, we became the successor to an SEC-registered and Nasdaq-listed company, which required Banzai to hire additional personnel and implement procedures and processes to address public company regulatory requirements and customary practices. We incurred and expect to incur additional annual expenses as a public company for, among other things, directors' and officers' liability insurance, director fees and additional internal and external accounting, legal and administrative resources, including increased audit and legal fees. We are qualified as an "emerging growth company." As a result, we have been provided certain disclosure and regulatory relief. Our future results of operations and financial position may not be comparable to Legacy Banzai's historical results of operations and financial position as a result of the Business Combination.

## **Results of Operations**

(\$ in Thousands)	ee Months Ended Tarch 31, 2024	ee Months Ended Tarch 31, 2023	Period- over- Period \$	Period- over- Period %
Operating income:				
Revenue	\$ 1,079	\$ 1,177	\$ (98)	-8.3 %
Cost of revenue	381	412	(31)	-7.5 %
Gross profit	698	765	(67)	-8.8%
Operating expenses:				
General and administrative expenses	4,309	3,170	1,139	35.9 %
Depreciation expense	2	2	_	0.0%
Total operating expenses	4,311	 3,172	1,139	35.9%
Operating loss	 (3,613)	(2,407)	(1,206)	50.1%
Other expenses (income):	 	 		
GEM commitment fee expense	200	_	200	nm
Other income, net	(4)	(63)	59	-93.7%
Interest income	_	_	_	nm
Interest expense	451	538	(87)	-16.2 %
Interest expense - related party	578	383	195	50.9 %
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(528)	_	(528)	nm
Loss on debt issuance	171	_	171	nm
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(408)	_	(408)	nm
Change in fair value of warrant liability - related party	(115)	_	(115)	nm
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity	_	23	(23)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity - related party	_	303	(303)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities	_	32	(32)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities - related				
party	_	137	(137)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of convertible promissory notes	 544		544	nm
Total other expenses (income)	 889	 1,353	(464)	-34.3 %
Loss before income taxes	(4,502)	(3,760)	(742)	19.7%
Income tax (benefit) expense	(1)	3	(4)	-133.3 %
Net loss	\$ (4,501)	\$ (3,763)	\$ (738)	19.6%

The percentage changes included in the tables herein that are not considered meaningful are presented as "nm".

#### **Components of Results of Operations**

#### Revenue Analysis

			Three			
	Three Months		Months			
	Ended		Ended March 31,		riod-	Period-
	March 31,	1			ver-	over-
(\$ in Thousands)	2024		2023		riod \$	Period %
Revenue	\$ 1,079	\$	1,177	\$	(98)	-8.3 %

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Banzai reported total revenue of approximately \$1,079 thousand, representing a decrease of approximately \$98 thousand, or approximately 8.3%, compared to the three months for the same period ended March 31, 2023. This decrease is primarily attributable to lower Reach revenue which declined by approximately \$74 thousand due to a shift in Banzai's focus to its Demio product and decision, which decision was reversed in 2024, to begin phasing out the Reach product. In 2024 Banzai is revitalizing its focus on the Reach product through reengineering and expanded sales efforts. Demio revenue was lower by approximately \$25 thousand for the three months ended March 31, 2024 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2023 due to churn and lower new sales period-over-period.

## Cost of Revenue Analysis

		Three			
	Three Months	Months			
	Ended	Ended	Period-	Period-	
	March 31,	March 31,	over-	over-	
(\$ in Thousands)	2024	2023	Period \$	Period %	
Cost of revenue	\$ 381	\$ 412	\$ (31)	-7.5%	

For the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, Banzai's cost of revenue totaled approximately \$381 thousand and approximately \$412 thousand, respectively. This represents a decrease of approximately \$31 thousand, or approximately 7.5%, for the three months ended March 31, 2024 as compared to the three months ended March 31, 2023, is due primarily to lower customer base and an approximately 4% lower average cost per customer, driven by lower infrastructure costs of approximately \$45 thousand, contracted services of approximately \$34 thousand, subscription payroll of approximately \$14 thousand, and merchant fee costs of approximately \$3 thousand. The lower contracted services and data licenses cost described above were offset by the increase of the streaming services costs of approximately \$65 thousand.

## Gross Profit Analysis

				Th	ree			
		Three Months Ended		Months Ended				
						Period-		Period-
		March 31,		March 31,		over-		over-
(\$ in Thousands)		2024		2023		Period \$		Period %
Gross profit		\$ (	598	\$	765	\$	(67)	-8.8%

For the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, Banzai's gross profit was approximately \$698 thousand and approximately \$765 thousand, respectively. This represents a decrease of approximately \$67 thousand, or approximately 8.8% due to the decreases in revenue of approximately \$98 thousand and decreases in cost of revenue of approximately \$31 thousand described above.

#### **Operating Expense Analysis**

	Three Mont	is	Months			
	Ended	Ended		Period-	Period-	
	March 31,		March 31,	over-	over-	
(\$ in Thousands)	2024		2023	Period \$	Period %	
Total operating expenses	\$ 4,3	11 \$	3,172	\$ 1,139	35.9%	

Total operating expenses for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, were approximately \$4.3 million and approximately \$3.2 million, respectively, an increase of approximately \$1.1 million, or 35.9%. This increase was due primarily to an overall increase in salaries and related expenses by approximately \$0.1 million, marketing expenses by approximately \$0.1 million, costs associated with audit, technical accounting, and legal and other professional services of approximately \$0.7 million.

#### Other Expense Analysis

		7	Three				
	Three Months	Months					
Ended		ŀ	Ended	Period- over- Period \$		Period-	
	March 31,	March 31, 2023				over-	
(\$ in Thousands)	2024					Period %	
Total other expenses (income)	\$ 889	\$	1,353	\$	(464)	-34.3 %	

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Banzai reported total other expenses of approximately \$0.9 million. This represents a decrease of approximately \$0.5 million from the three months ended March 31, 2023, when the Company reported total other expenses of approximately \$1.4 million. The change in other expenses (income), net was primarily driven by the following:

- GEM settlement commitment fee expense of approximately \$0.2 million.
- Gain on extinguishment of debt of approximately \$0.5 million.
- There were no changes in fair value of the simple agreement for future equity ("SAFEs") during the three months ended March 31, 2024 relative to a loss of approximately \$0.3 million, approximately \$0.3 million of which related to related party SAFEs.
- Changes in fair value of warrant liability was a gain of approximately \$0.4 million during the three months ended March 31, 2024, with a gain of approximately \$0.1 million related to related party warrant liabilities. These warrants, both third party

and related party, were issued and assumed in December 2023, and as such, there was no equivalent gain or loss on warrant liabilities during the three months ended March 31, 2023.

- Interest expense increased by approximately \$0.1 million period-over-period to approximately \$1.0 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024 due to the company raising additional interest bearing debt.
- There were no changes in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities during the three months ended March 31, 2024 relative to a loss of approximately \$0.2 million during the three months ended March 31, 2023.

#### **Provision for Income Taxes**

	Three Months	Three Mont	hs			
	Ended	Ended	Ended			Period-
	March 31,	March 31,	March 31,			over-
(\$ in Thousands)	2024	2023		Per	iod \$	Period %
Income tax (benefit) expense	\$	1) \$	3	\$	(4)	-133.3 %

For the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, Banzai's reported provision for income tax benefit was \$1 thousand and expense was \$3.0 thousand, respectively.

Due to Banzai's history of losses since inception, there is not enough evidence at this time to support that Banzai will generate future income of a sufficient amount and nature to utilize the benefits of its net deferred tax assets. Accordingly, the deferred tax assets have been reduced by a full valuation allowance, since Banzai cannot currently support that realization of its deferred tax assets is more likely than not.

At March 31, 2024, Banzai had no unrecognized tax benefits that would reduce Banzai's effective tax rate if recognized.

#### Net Loss Analysis

			Three		
	Three Mon	ths	Months		
	Ended		Ended	Period-	Period-
	March 31	!,	March 31,	over-	over-
(\$ in Thousands)	2024		2023	Period \$	Period %
Net loss	\$ (4,	501)	(3,763)	\$ (738)	19.6%

For the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023, Banzai reported net losses of approximately \$4.5 million and approximately \$3.8 million, respectively. The greater net loss is primarily due to a reduction in total other expenses of approximately \$0.5 million during the three months ended March 31, 2024 compared to the three months ended March 31, 2023, offset by an increase in operating expenses of approximately \$1.1 million and a decrease in gross profit of approximately \$0.1 million.

#### **Critical Accounting Estimates**

Our condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States. The preparation of these condensed consolidated financial statements requires us to make judgments and estimates that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities in our financial statements. We base our estimates on historical experience, known trends and events and various other factors that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. Our actual results may differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. On a recurring basis, we evaluate our judgments and estimates in light of changes in circumstances, facts, and experience. The effects of material revisions in an estimate, if any, will be reflected in the condensed consolidated financial statements prospectively from the date of the change in the estimate.

We believe that the following accounting policies are those most critical to the judgments and estimates used in the preparation of our financial statements.

Impairment of goodwill

Goodwill represents the excess of the purchase price over the fair value of the net identifiable assets acquired in a business combination. Goodwill is reviewed for impairment at least annually, in December, or more frequently if a triggering event occurs between impairment testing dates. As of March 31, 2024, the Company had one operating segment, which was deemed to be its reporting unit, for the purpose of evaluating goodwill impairment to be evaluated at the year end.

The Company's impairment assessment begins with a qualitative assessment to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value. Qualitative factors may include, macroeconomic conditions, industry and market considerations, cost factors, and other relevant entity and Company specific events. If, based on the qualitative test, the Company determines that it is "more likely than not" that the fair value of a reporting unit is less than its carrying value, then we evaluate goodwill for impairment by comparing the fair value of our reporting unit to its respective carrying value, including its goodwill. If it is determined that it is not likely that the fair value of the reporting unit is less than its carrying value, then no further testing is required.

The selection and assessment of qualitative factors used to determine whether it is more likely than not that the fair value of a reporting unit exceeds the carrying value involves significant judgment and estimates. Fair values may be determined using a combination of both income and market-based approaches.

Recognition and measurement of convertible and Simple Agreement for Future Equity (SAFE) notes, including the associated embedded derivatives

The Company accounts for Simple Agreements for Future Equity ("SAFE") at fair value in accordance with ASC 480 *Distinguishing Liabilities from Equity*. The SAFEs are subject to revaluation at the end of each reporting period, with changes in fair value recognized in the accompanying Consolidated Statement of Operations.

The Company evaluates all its financial instruments to determine if such instruments contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives. Embedded derivatives must be separately measured from the host contract if all the requirements for bifurcation are met. The assessment of the conditions surrounding the bifurcation of embedded derivatives depends on the nature of the host contract. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are recognized at fair value, with changes in fair value recognized in the statement of operations each period. Bifurcated embedded derivatives are classified with the related host contract in the Company's balance sheet.

#### Determination of the fair value of the warrant liabilities

The Company does not use derivative instruments to hedge exposures to cash flow, market, or foreign currency risks. The Company evaluates all of its financial instruments, including issued stock purchase warrants, to determine if such instruments are derivatives or contain features that qualify as embedded derivatives, pursuant to ASC 480 and FASB ASC Topic 815, "Derivatives and Hedging" ("ASC 815"). The classification of derivative instruments, including whether such instruments should be recorded as liabilities or as equity, is reassessed at the end of each reporting period.

#### Public Warrants

The Public Warrants are recognized as derivative liabilities in accordance with ASC 815. Accordingly, the Company recognizes the warrant instruments as liabilities at fair value and adjusts the instruments to fair value at each reporting period. The liabilities are subject to re-measurement at each balance sheet date until exercised, and any change in fair value is recognized in the Company's consolidated statements of operations.

The Public Warrants were initially measured at fair value using a Monte Carlo simulation model and have subsequently been measured based on the listed market price of such warrants. The determination of the fair value of the warrant liabilities may be subject to change as more current information becomes available and accordingly the actual results could differ significantly. Warrant liabilities are classified as current liabilities on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

#### **GEM Warrants**

The GEM Warrants were not considered indexed to the issuer's stock as the holder's ability to receive one percent of the total consideration received by the Company's stockholders in connection with a Change of Control in lieu of the Warrant, where the surviving corporation is not publicly traded, adjusts the settlement value based on items outside the Company's control in violation of the fixed-for-fixed option pricing model. As such, the Company recorded the Warrants as liabilities initially measured at fair value with subsequent changes in fair value recognized in earnings each reporting period.

The measurement of fair value was determined utilizing a Monte Carlo simulation considering all relevant assumptions current at the date of issuance (i.e., share price, exercise price, term, volatility, risk-free rate, probability of dilutive term of three years, and expected time to conversion). The Company determined the Warrants were share issuance costs associated with an aborted

offering. Aborted offering costs may not be deferred and charged against proceeds of a subsequent offering. As such, the Company recorded an expense for the corresponding fair value.

Recognition and measurement of stock compensation

The Company expenses stock-based compensation to employees and non-employees over the requisite service period based on the estimated grant-date fair value of the awards in accordance with ASC 718, Stock Compensation. The Company accounts for forfeitures as they occur. The Company estimates the fair value of stock option grants using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, and the assumptions used in calculating the fair value of stock-based awards represent management's best estimates and involve inherent uncertainties and the application of management's judgment.

#### **Non-GAAP Financial Measures**

#### Adjusted EBITDA

In addition to our results determined in accordance with U.S. GAAP, we believe that Adjusted EBITDA, a non-GAAP measure as defined below, is useful in evaluating our operational performance distinct and apart from certain irregular, non-cash, and non-operational expenses. We use this information for ongoing evaluation of operations and for internal planning purposes. We believe that non- GAAP financial information, when taken collectively with results under GAAP, may be helpful to investors in assessing our operating performance and comparing our performance with competitors and other comparable companies.

Non-GAAP measures should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for analysis of our results as reported under GAAP. We endeavor to compensate for the limitation of Adjusted EBITDA, by also providing the most directly comparable GAAP measure, which is net loss, and a description of the reconciling items and adjustments to derive the non-GAAP measure. Some of these limitations are:

- Adjusted EBITDA does not consider the potentially dilutive impact of stock-based compensation.
- Although depreciation and amortization are non-cash charges, the assets being depreciated and amortized may have to be replaced in the
  future, and Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect cash capital expenditure requirements for such replacements or for new capital expenditures or
  contractual commitments.
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect impairment and restructuring costs.
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect interest expense or other income.
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect income taxes.
- Adjusted EBITDA does not reflect audit, legal, incremental accounting and other expenses tied to M&A or the Business Combination.
- Other companies, including companies in our own industry, may calculate Adjusted EBITDA differently from the way we do, limiting its
  usefulness as a comparative measure.

Because of these limitations, Adjusted EBITDA should only be considered alongside results prepared in accordance with GAAP, including various cash-flow metrics, net income (loss) and our other GAAP results and financial performance measures.

## Adjusted EBITDA Analysis

	Three Months	7	Three Months			
	Ended		Ended		eriod-	Period-
	March 31,		March 31,	(	over-	over-
				P	eriod	
(\$ in Thousands)	2024		2023		\$	Period %
Adjusted EBITDA (Loss)	\$ (1,50)	8) \$	(626)	\$	(882)	141.1%

For the three months ended March 31, 2024, Banzai's Adjusted EBITDA was approximately \$1,508 thousand, reflecting a decrease in the earnings of approximately \$882 thousand compared to a loss of approximately \$626 thousand for the three months ended

March 31, 2023. This period-over-period decrease in earnings is primarily attributable to an increase in interest expense - related party and transaction related expenses.

# Net Income/(Loss) to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation

(\$ in Thousands)	Three Months Ended March 31, 2024 Three Months Ended March 31, March 31, 2023		Period- over- Period \$		Period- over- Period %	
Net loss	\$ (4,501)	\$	(3,763)	\$	(738)	19.6%
Other income, net	(4)		(63)		59	-93.7%
Depreciation expense	2		2		_	0.0%
Stock based compensation	253		402		(149)	-37.1%
Interest expense	451		538		(87)	-16.2%
Interest expense - related party	578		383		195	50.9 %
Income tax (benefit) expense	(1)		3		(4)	-133.3 %
GEM commitment fee expense	200		_		200	nm
Gain on extinguishment of debt	(528)		_		(528)	nm
Loss on debt issuance	171		_		171	nm
Change in fair value of warrant liability	(408)		_		(408)	nm
Change in fair value of warrant liability - related party	(115)				(115)	nm
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity	_		23		(23)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of simple agreement for future equity - related party	_		303		(303)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities	_		32		(32)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities - related party	_		137		(137)	-100.0%
Change in fair value of convertible promissory notes	544		_		544	nm
Transaction related expenses*	1,842		1,251		591	47.2 %
Adjusted EBITDA (Loss)	\$ (1,508)	\$	(626)	\$	(882)	141.1%

<sup>\*</sup> Transaction related expenses include

(\$ in Thousands)	I Ma	Three Months Ended March 31, 2024		Three Months Ended March 31, 2023		eriod- over- riod \$	Period- over- Period %
Professional fees - audit	\$	344	\$	277	\$	67	24.2 %
Professional fees - legal		597		68		529	777.9%
Incremental accounting		680		808		(128)	-15.8%
Market study, M&A support		221		98		123	125.5%
Transaction related expenses	\$	1,842	\$	1,251	\$	591	47.2 %

## Liquidity and Capital Resources

## Going Concern

Since inception, Banzai has financed its operations primarily from the sales of redeemable convertible preferred stock and convertible promissory notes, and proceeds from senior secured loans. As of March 31, 2024, Banzai had cash of approximately \$1.0 million.

Banzai has incurred losses since its inception, had a working capital deficit of approximately \$33.1 million as of March 31, 2024, and had an accumulated deficit at March 31, 2024 totaling approximately \$51.3 million. As of March 31, 2024, Banzai had approximately \$10.0 million and approximately \$6.8 million aggregate principal amount outstanding on term/promissory notes and convertible notes, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2024, Banzai has raised additional capital under the SEPA through the issuance of additional convertible notes for a total of approximately \$2.5 million to fund the Company's operations. Additionally, during the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company issued non-cash share payments of approximately \$1.5 million in partial settlement of the Yorkville Promissory Note financing; an approximately \$0.5 million non-cash share payment to settle

the deferred fee liability recognized as of March 31, 2024, and payable to Yorkville in terms of the SEPA. These stock issuances described herein do not represent sources of new capital, rather the issuances were made to settle existing liabilities in lieu of cash payments, as described above. Banzai has historically used debt financing proceeds principally to fund operations.

Banzai's intends to seek additional funding through the SEPA arrangement and other equity financings in 2024. If Banzai is unable to raise such funding, Banzai will have to pursue an alternative course of action to seek additional capital through other debt and equity financing.

If Banzai is unable to raise sufficient additional capital, through future debt or equity financings or through strategic and collaborative ventures with third parties, Banzai will not have sufficient cash flows and liquidity to fund its planned business for 12 months from the issuance of these financial statements. There can be no assurances that Banzai will be able to secure alternate forms of financing at terms that are acceptable to management. In that event, Banzai might be forced to limit many of its business plans and consider other means of creating value for its stockholders. Based on the factors described above, and after considering management's plans, there is substantial doubt about Banzai's ability to continue as a going concern within one year from the date the financial statements were available to be issued. The accompanying condensed consolidated financial statements have been prepared assuming Banzai will continue as a going concern, which contemplates the realization of assets and satisfaction of liabilities in the normal course of business.

#### **Cash Flows**

The following table sets forth Banzai's cash flows for the three months ended March 31, 2024 and 2023:

	Three Months Ended March 31,		Three Months Ended March 31,		Period- over-		Period- over-
(\$ in Thousands)	2024		2023		Period \$		Period %
Net loss	\$	(4,500)	\$	(3,765)	\$	(735)	19.5 %
Adjustments to reconcile net loss to net cash used in operating activities:		2,383		2,286		97	4.2 %
Net cash used in operating activities		(2,117)		(1,479)		(638)	43.1 %
Net cash provided by financing activities		1,050		1,506		(456)	-30.3 %
Net increase / (decrease) in cash	\$	(1,067)	\$	26	\$	(1,093)	-4203.8 %

#### Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2024

Net cash used in operating activities was approximately \$2.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024. Net cash used in operating activities consists of net loss of approximately \$4.5 million, offset by total adjustments of \$2.4 million for non-cash items and the effect of changes in working capital. Non-cash adjustments included non-cash settlement of the GEM commitment fee of approximately \$0.2 million, stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$0.3 million, gain on extinguishment of liability of \$0.5 million, non-cash interest expense of approximately \$0.5 million (approximately \$0.9 million for related party), amortization of debt discount and issuance costs of approximately \$0.5 million (approximately \$0.5 million for related party), amortization of operating lease ROU assets of approximately \$0.04 million, fair value adjustment for warrant liabilities gain of approximately \$0.5 million (gain of approximately \$0.1 million for related party), and net of change in operating assets and liabilities of approximately \$1.2 million.

There were no net cash investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2024.

Net cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$1.1 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024, and was primarily related to proceeds from convertible debt financing of approximately \$2.3 million and payment of the GEM commitment fee of approximately \$1.2 million.

# Cash Flows for the three months ended March 31, 2023

Net cash used in operating activities was approximately \$1.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2023. Net cash used in operating activities consists of net loss of approximately \$3.8 million, total adjustments of approximately \$2.3 million for non-cash items and the effect of changes in working capital. Non-cash adjustments include stock-based compensation expense of approximately \$0.4 million, non-cash interest expense of approximately \$0.2 million (approximately \$0.09 million for related party), amortization of debt discount and issuance costs of approximately \$0.4 million (approximately \$0.3 million for related party), amortization of operating lease ROU assets of approximately \$0.04 million, fair value adjustments to simple agreement for future equity of approximately \$0.3 million (approximately \$0.3 million for related party), fair value adjustments to bifurcated embedded derivative liabilities of

approximately \$0.2 million (approximately \$0.1 million for related party), and net of change in operating assets and liabilities of approximately \$0.7 million.

There were no net cash investing activities for the three months ended March 31, 2023.

Net cash provided by financing activities was approximately \$1.5 million for the three months ended March 31, 2023, and was primarily related to proceeds from the issuance of convertible note, net of issuance costs of approximately \$1.5 million (all amounts for related party).

#### **Capital Expenditure Commitments and Financing Requirements**

<u>(\$ in Thousands)</u>	 Total	Less than 1 year	1 - 3 Years	
Debt principal - 14% CB PF convertible notes	\$ 1,821	\$ 1,821	\$ —	
Debt principal - 14% CB PF term notes	6,500	6,500	_	
Debt principal - 8% Alco promissory notes	4,400	4,400	_	
Debt principal - Yorkville Convertible promissory note	3,000	3,000	_	
Debt principal - GEM promissory note	900	900	_	
Interest on debt	3,365	3,365	_	
Operating leases	162	162	_	
Total capital expenditure commitments and financing requirements at March 31, 2024	\$ 20,148	\$ 20,148	\$ —	

#### Debt principal - 14% CB PF convertible and term notes

On February 19, 2021, the Company entered into a loan agreement with CP BF Lending, LLC ("CP BF") for \$8,000,000 (the "Loan Agreement"). The Loan Agreement was comprised of a Term Note for \$6,500,000 and a Convertible Note for \$1,500,000, with the option upon the request of the Company for Additional Loan ("Additional Loan") principal amount of up to \$7,000,000, evidenced by additional notes with 81.25% of the principal amount of such Additional Loan being evidenced by a Term Note, and 18.75% of the principal amount of such an Additional Loan being evidenced by a Convertible Note. The Term Note bears cash interest at a rate of 14% per annum paid monthly and accrued interest payable-in-kind ("PIK") cumulatively at 1.5% per annum. The outstanding principal balance of the Term Note together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, unpaid fees and expenses and any other Obligations then due, shall be paid on February 19, 2025 ("Loan Maturity Date"). The Convertible Note accrues PIK interest cumulatively at a rate of 15.5% per annum, and is convertible into Class A Common Stock upon Qualified Financing (as defined in the agreement), upon a Change of Control (as defined in the agreement), upon Prepayment, or at Maturity at a fixed conversion price. If not sooner converted or prepaid, the Convertible Note principal together with accrued and unpaid interest thereon, unpaid fees and expenses and any other Obligations then due, shall be paid on the Loan Maturity Date. Upon the occurrence, and during the continuance, of an Event of Default (as defined in the agreement), interest on the Term Note will bear cash interest at a per annum rate of 20% ("Default Rate") and no PIK interest shall accrue at any time during an Event of Default and the Convertible Note will bear PIK Interest at a per annum at the Default Rate.

Additionally, the Company may voluntarily prepay the Principal of the Loans, in accordance with their terms, in whole or in part at any time. On the date of any such prepayment, the Company will owe to Lender: (i) all accrued and unpaid Cash Interest with respect to the principal amount so prepaid through the date the prepayment is made; (ii) if such prepayment is prior to the twelve-month anniversary of the Closing Date, all unpaid interest (including for the avoidance of doubt, PIK Interest and Cash Interest) with respect to the principal amount so prepaid that would have been due and payable on or prior to the twelve-month anniversary of the Closing Date had the Loans remained outstanding until such twelve-month anniversary date (the "Yield Maintenance Premium"); (iii) the Exit Fee with respect to the principal amount so prepaid, calculated as 1.0% of the outstanding principal balance of the Loans, with only the portion of the principal balance so converted counted for purposes of determining the applicable Exit Fee; and provided further, that, in the event of a partial prepayment of the Loans, the Exit Fee shall be calculated on the principal amount so repaid and not on the entire outstanding principal balance thereof, and (iv) all other Obligations, if any, that shall have become due and payable hereunder with respect to the principal amount so prepaid.

The Loan Agreement contains customary covenants, including restrictions on the Company's ability to incur indebtedness, grant liens or security interest on assets, make acquisitions, loans, advances or investments, or sell or otherwise transfer assets, among others. The Loan Agreement also contains other financial covenants related to minimum gross profit margin, minimum ARR (Annual Recurring Revenue) growth rate, and fixed charge ratio, among other financial covenants per the terms of the Loan Agreement. The Loan Agreement is secured by a first-priority Lien (subject to Permitted Liens) on and security interest in the Collateral pursuant to the terms of the Collateral Documents. The Loan Agreement named Joseph Davy, CEO, as Guarantor, and per the term of the Loan Agreement, he is willing to guarantee the full payment, performance and collection of all of the Credit Parties' obligations thereunder and under the Loan Agreement, all as further set forth therein.

For all respective periods presented, the Company was not in compliance with the Minimum Gross Profit Margin covenant in section 7.14.1 of the Loan Agreement, the Minimum ARR Growth covenant in section 7.14.2 of the Loan Agreement, and the Fixed Charge Coverage Ratio covenant in section 7.14.3 of the Loan Agreement. As a result of the Company's noncompliance with the financial covenants, the entire principal amount and all unpaid and accrued interest will be classified as current on the Company's consolidated balance sheets.

Upon the occurrence of an Event of Default, and at any time thereafter unless and until such Event of Default has been waived by CP BF or cured to the satisfaction of Lender, subject to the exercise of customary commercial underwriting standards in determining such satisfaction, Lender may, without notice or demand to the Credit Parties declare the unpaid principal of and any accrued interest shall be immediately due and payable. While the Company and the Lender are engaged in good faith discussions to resolve these matters, no agreement to resolve such matters has been reached and all of the Loans remain in default for the reasons stated above, and the Lender is not presently exercising remedies, which the Lender reserves the right to so do at any time.

On October 10, 2022 the Loan Agreement was amended, where CP BF waived payment by the Company of four months of cash interest with respect to the Term Note in replacement for a Convertible Note ("First Amendment Convertible Note") in the principal amount of \$321,345, which is not considered an Additional Loan as defined above. The First Amendment Convertible Note has the same features as the Convertible Note described above.

Modification of Term and Convertible Notes (CP BF)

On August 24, 2023, the Company entered into a forbearance agreement (the "Forbearance Agreement") with CP BF Lending. Under the terms of this Forbearance Agreement, and as a result of the Company's non-compliance with certain covenants of its Loan Agreement with CP BF, CP BF agreed to (i) amend certain provisions of the Loan Agreement to clarify the treatment of the Merger with 7GC under the Loan Agreement, (ii) consent to the consummation of the Merger Agreement with 7GC and (iii) forbear from exercising any of its rights and remedies under the Loan Agreement with the Company from the effective date of the Forbearance Agreement until the earlier of (a) the four-month anniversary of the closing of the Merger if the Merger is closed on or prior to December 29, 2023, (b) December 29, 2023 if the Merger is not consummated on or prior to December 29, 2023 or (c) the date on which any Termination Event (as defined within the Forbearance Agreement) shall have occurred. In connection with the Forbearance Agreement, CP BF and the Company also agreed to amend and restate CP BF's existing convertible promissory notes (the "A&R CP BF Notes") so that they may remain outstanding following the closing of the Merger and, at CP BF's option, be convertible into Class A shares of the combined company.

On December 14, 2023, the Company entered into the First Amendment to the Forbearance Agreement with the Lender. In particular, the Company agreed to pay the Lender an amount in cash equal to \$23,748 (the "Amendment Fee") on the execution date to extend the forbearance period from the fourmonth anniversary of the closing of the Merger to the six-month anniversary of the closing of the Merger. This amendment was deemed to be a debt modification in accordance with ASC 470, Debt, which will be accounted for prospectively. Modification does not result in recognition of a gain or loss in the consolidated statement of operations but does impact interest expense recognized in the future.

## Debt principal - 8% Alco promissory notes

On August 30, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco August Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of \$150,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. Alco held its ownership of over 10% of the issued equity of the Company, through its ownership of Series A preferred stock. The Alco August Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on April 29, 2024. The Company recorded a \$3,711 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco August Promissory Note. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco August Promissory Note totaled \$5,449, comprised of \$2,991 of contractual accrued interest and \$2,458 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$150,000 of principal and \$7,035 and \$4,044, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco August Promissory Note.

On September 13, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco September Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$1,500,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco September Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on September 30, 2024. The Company recorded \$8,588 of debt issuance costs and a \$638,808 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco September Promissory Note, relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco September Promissory Note totaled \$91,563, comprised of \$29,918 of contractual accrued interest and \$61,645 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$1,500,000 of principal and \$60,493 and \$30,575, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco September Promissory Note.

On November 16, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco November Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$750,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco November Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on April 13, 2024. The Company recorded a \$363,905 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco November Promissory Note relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco November Promissory Note totaled \$248,285, comprised of \$14,959 of contractual accrued interest and \$233,326 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$750,000 of principal and \$22,356 and \$7,397, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco November Promissory Note.

On December 13, 2023, the Company issued a subordinate promissory note ("Alco December Promissory Note") in the aggregate principal amount of up to \$2,000,000 to Alco Investment Company, a related party. The Alco December Promissory Note bears interest at a rate of 8% per annum. The outstanding principal and accrued interest are due and payable on December 31, 2024. The Company recorded a \$1,496,252 debt discount upon issuance of the Alco December Promissory Note, relating to the share transfer agreements, see below. For the three months ended March 31, 2024, interest expense on the Alco December Promissory Note totaled \$232,216, comprised of \$39,890 of contractual accrued interest and \$192,326 for the amortization of the discount. As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, \$2,000,000 of principal and \$47,780 and \$7,890, respectively, of accrued interest is outstanding under the Alco December Promissory Note.

In connection with the issuances of the Alco September, November, and December Promissory Notes, the Company, 7GC and the Sponsor entered into share transfer agreements (the "Alco Share Transfer Agreements") with Alco Investment Company. Pursuant to which for each \$10.00 in principal borrowed under the Alco September and November Promissory Notes, the Sponsor agreed to forfeit one share of 7GC Class B Common Stock held by the Sponsor, in exchange for the right of Alco to receive one New Banzai Class A Share. For each \$10.00 in principal borrowed under the December Note, the Sponsor agreed to forfeit three shares of 7GC Class B Common Stock held by the Sponsor, in exchange for the right of Alco to receive three New Banzai Class A Shares. Such forfeited and issued shares under the Alco September, November, and December Promissory Notes are capped at an amount equal to 150,000, 75,000, and 600,000, respectively. Pursuant to the Alco Share Transfer Agreements, the shares are subject to an 180-day lock-up period upon issuance of the shares.

#### Debt principal - 7GC Convertible promissory note

The Company assumed two promissory notes in connection with the Merger which remained outstanding as of March 31, 2024. The promissory notes were issued on December 21, 2022 for a principal amount of \$2,300,000 ("December 2022 7GC Note") and on October 3, 2023 for a principal amount of \$250,000 ("October 2023 7G Note, together with the December 2022 7GC Note, the "7GC Promissory Notes"). The 7GC Promissory Notes were issued to the Sponsor, 7GC & Co. Holdings LLC. The 7GC Promissory Notes do not bear interest and were repayable in full upon the earlier of the consummation of a business combination or the date the Company liquidates the trust account (the "Trust Account") established in connection with the Company's initial public offering (the "IPO") upon the failure of the Company to consummate a business combination within the requisite time period. Under the original terms of the 7GC Promissory Notes, the Sponsor has the option, but not the obligation, to convert the principal balance of the Note, in whole or in part, into that number of shares of Class A common stock, \$0.0001 par value per share, of the Company equal to the principal amount of the Note so converted divided by \$10.00.

#### Modification of Promissory Notes - 7GC

On December 12, 2023, in connection with the Merger, the Sponsor came to a non-binding agreement ("First Amendment") with the Company to amend the optional conversion provision of the 7GC Promissory Notes. The First Amendment provided that the holder has the right to elect to convert up to the full amount of the principal balance of the 7GC Promissory Notes, in whole or in part, 30 days after the closing of the Merger (the "Closing") at a conversion price equal to the average daily VWAP of the Class A Common Stock for the 30 trading days following the Closing. This amendment was deemed to be a debt modification in accordance with ASC 470, Debt, which will be accounted for prospectively. Modification does not result in recognition of a gain or loss in the consolidated statement of operations but does impact interest expense recognized in the future. Pursuant to ASC 470, if the modification or exchange of a convertible debt instrument is not accounted for as an extinguishment, the accounting for the change in the fair value of the embedded conversion option which increases the value of the embedded conversion option (calculated as the difference between the fair value of the embedded conversion option immediately before and after the modification or exchange) is recorded as a reduction to the carrying amount of the 7GC Promissory Notes with a corresponding increase to additional paid in capital. The 7GC Promissory Notes were converted in full and subsequently cancelled on March 6, 2024.

## Debt principal - Yorkville Convertible promissory note

On December 14, 2023, in connection with and pursuant to the terms of its Standby Equity Purchase Agreement ("SEPA") with YA II PN, LTD, a Cayman Islands exempt limited partnership managed by Yorkville Advisors Global, LP ("Yorkville"), (refer to *Note 15 - Equity* for further details), Yorkville agreed to advance to the Company, in exchange for convertible promissory notes, an aggregate

principal amount of up to \$3,500,000, \$2,000,000 of which was funded at the Closing in exchange for the issuance by the Company of a Convertible Promissory Note (the "December Yorkville Convertible Note"). The Company received net proceeds of \$1,800,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$200,000.

On February 5, 2024, the Company and Yorkville entered into a supplemental agreement (the "SEPA Supplemental Agreement") to increase the amount of convertible promissory notes allowed to be issued under SEPA by \$1,000,000 (the "Additional Pre-Paid Advance Amount"), for an aggregate principal amount of \$4,500,000 to be advanced by Yorkville to the Company in the form of convertible promissory notes. On February 5, 2024 in exchange for a promissory note in the principal amount of \$1,000,000 (the "February Yorkville Promissory Note"), with the same terms as the December Yorkville Convertible Note, the Company received net proceeds of \$900,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$100,000.

On March 26, 2024, the Company, in exchange for a convertible promissory note with a principal amount of \$1,500,000 (the "March Yorkville Promissory Note", together with the December Yorkville Convertible Note and February Yorkville Promissory Note (the" Yorkville Promissory Notes"), received net proceeds of \$1,250,000 after a non-cash original issue discount of \$250,000 from Yorkville.

The Yorkville Convertible Notes have a maturity date of June 14, 2024, and accrue interest at 0% per annum, subject to an increase to 18% per annum upon events of default as defined in the agreement. As of March 31, 2024, no events of default have occurred.

Yorkville has the right to convert any portion of the outstanding principal into shares of Class A common stock at any time. The number of shares issuable upon conversion is equal to the amount of principal to be converted (as specified by Yorkville) divided by the Conversion Price (as defined in the Standby Equity Purchase Agreement disclosure in Note 15). Yorkville will not have the right to convert any portion of the principal to the extent that after giving effect to such conversion, Yorkville would beneficially own in excess of 9.99% of the total number of shares of Class A common stock outstanding after giving effect to such conversion.

Additionally, the Company, at its option, shall have the right, but not the obligation, to redeem early a portion or all amounts outstanding under the Promissory Notes at a redemption amount equal to the outstanding principal balance being repaid or redeemed, plus a 10% prepayment premium, plus all accrued and unpaid interest; provided that (i) the Company provides Yorkville with no less than ten trading days' prior written notice thereof and (ii) on the date such notice is issued, the VWAP of the Class A common stock is less than the Fixed Price.

Upon the occurrence of certain triggering events, as defined in the Yorkville Convertible Notes agreement (each an "Amortization Event"), the Company may be required to make monthly repayments of amounts outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Notes, with each monthly repayment to be in an amount equal to the sum of (x) \$1,000,000, plus (y) 10% in respect of such amount, and (z) all outstanding accrued and unpaid interest as of each payment date.

During the three months ending March 31, 2024, \$500,000 of principal under the December Yorkville Convertible Note was converted into 788,211 Class A Common stock of the Company and the full principal amount of \$1,000,000 under the February Yorkville Convertible Note was converted into 1,445,524 Class A Common stock of the Company.

As of March 31, 2024 and December 31, 2023, the principal amount outstanding under the Yorkville Convertible Notes was \$3 million and \$2 million, respectively. During the three months ended March 31, 2024, the Company recorded interest expense of \$0 in connection with the Yorkville Convertible Notes.

## Debt principal - GEM Promissory Note

On February 5, 2024, the Company and GEM entered into a settlement agreement (the "GEM Settlement Agreement"), pursuant to which (a) the Company and GEM agreed to (i) settle the Company's obligations under and terminate the binding term sheet entered into between Legacy Banzai and GEM, dated December 13, 2023, and (ii) terminate the share repurchase agreement, dated May 27, 2022, by and among the Company and GEM, and (b) the Company (i) agreed to pay GEM \$1.2 million in cash within three business days of the GEM Settlement Agreement and (ii) issued to GEM, on February 5, 2024, an unsecured promissory zero coupon note in the amount of \$1.0 million, payable in monthly installments of \$100,000 beginning on March 1, 2024, with the final payment to be made on December 1, 2024 (the "GEM Promissory Note"). The Company paid GEM the \$1.2 million in cash in February 2024.

The GEM Promissory Note provides that, in the event the Company fails to make a required monthly payment when due, the Company shall issue to GEM a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the monthly payment amount divided by the VWAP of the Class A Common Stock for the trading day immediately preceding the applicable payment due date. In addition, the Company agreed to register on a registration statement 2,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock that may be issuable under the terms of the GEM Promissory Note. The GEM Promissory Note contains customary events of default. If an event of default occurs, GEM may, at its option, demand from the Company immediate payment of any outstanding balance under the GEM Promissory Note.

As of March 31, 2024, the Company has issued an aggregate of 139,470 shares of Class A Common Stock to GEM in lieu of monthly payment obligations and the remaining balance of the GEM Promissory Note as of March 31, 2024 is \$900,000.

#### Interest on Debt

Interest on debt totals \$3.4 million for the three months ended March 31, 2024, representing the aggregate interest expenses / payments obligation to be paid and to be recognized during the rest of the terms of the Loan Agreements and Senior Convertible Notes, described above.

#### **Operating Leases**

Banzai has an operating lease for its real estate for office use. The lease term expires in October 2024. Banzai adopted ASC 842 Leases by applying the guidance at adoption date, January 1, 2022. The \$158,965 balance recognized as of March 31, 2024 represents the future minimum lease payments under non-cancellable leases as liabilities.

#### **Debt Structure and Maturity Profile**

(\$ in Thousands)	i	Principal	 t Discount / uance Cost	arrying Value	crued terest	V Ac	rrying /alue and ccrued nterest
As of March 31, 2024							
Debt principal - 14% CB PF term notes	\$	6,500	\$ (107)	\$ 6,393	\$ 556	\$	6,949
Debt principal - 8% Alco promissory notes		4,400	(1,455)	2,945	138		3,083
Debt principal - Yorkville Convertible promissory note		3,000	64	3,064	_		3,064
Debt principal - 14% CB PF convertible notes		1,821	(35)	1,786	1,023		2,809
Debt principal - GEM promissory note		900	_	900	_		900
Total debt carrying values at March 31, 2024	\$	16,621	\$ (1,533)	\$ 15,088	\$ 1,717	\$	16,805

The Yorkville Convertible promissory note is presented at its fair value on the condensed consolidated balance sheets.

## **Contractual Obligations and Commitments**

#### Revenue

Under ASC 606, revenue is recognized throughout the life of the executed agreement. Banzai measures revenue based on considerations specified in terms and conditions agreed to by a customer. Furthermore, Banzai recognizes revenue in an amount that reflects the consideration we expect to be entitled to in exchange for those services. The performance obligation is satisfied by transferring control of the service to the customer, which occurs over time.

#### Leases

Banzai's existing leases contain escalation clauses and renewal options. Banzai is not reasonably certain that renewal options will be exercised upon expiration of the initial terms of its existing leases. Prior to adoption of ASU 2016-02 effective January 1, 2022, Banzai accounted for operating lease transactions by recording lease expense on a straight-line basis over the expected term of the lease.

Banzai entered into a sublease which it had identified as an operating lease prior to the adoption of ASC 842 Leases. Banzai remains the primary obligor to the head lease lessor, making rental payments directly to the lessor and separately billing the sublessee. The sublease is subordinated to the master lease, and the sublessee must comply with all applicable terms of the master lease. Banzai subleased the real estate to a third-party at a monthly rental payment amount that was less than the monthly cost that it pays on the headlease with the lessor.

## Deferred underwriting fees

On December 28, 2023, the Company and Cantor amended the Fee Reduction Agreement to provide that the Reduced Deferred Fee was payable in the form of 1,113,927 shares of Class A Common Stock and to provide that Cantor is subject to a 12-month lock-up with respect to the Cantor Fee Shares. On December 28, 2023, the Company issued the Cantor Fee Shares to Cantor, covering the Reduced Deferred Fee in accordance with the Fee Reduction Agreement. The fair value of the 1,113,927 shares of Class A Common

Stock was determined to be \$2,450,639 on December 28, 2023 based on the Company's opening stock price of \$2.20. Although the Company issued the Cantor Fee Shares, as of March 31, 2024, the Company has not satisfied its Cantor Registration Rights Obligations. As such, the Company cannot conclude that it has settled its outstanding obligations to Cantor. Therefore, neither criteria under ASC 405 for extinguishment and derecognition of the liability were satisfied and the \$4,000,000 Reduced Deferred Fee remained outstanding as a current liability on the Company's March 31, 2024 balance sheet.

#### GEM commitment fee liability

In May 2022, the Company entered into a Share Purchase Agreement with GEM Global Yield LLC SCS and GEM Yield Bahamas Limited (collectively, "GEM") (the "GEM Agreement") pursuant to which, among other things, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of the GEM Agreement, GEM is to purchase from the Company (or its successor following a Reverse Merger Transaction (as defined in the GEM Agreement)) up to the number of duly authorized, validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable shares of common stock having an aggregate value of \$100,000,000 (the "GEM Financing"). Further, in terms of the GEM Agreement, on the Public Listing Date, the Company was required to make and execute a warrant ("GEM Warrant") granting GEM the right to purchase up to the number of common shares of the Company that would be equal to 3% of the total equity interests, calculated on a fully diluted basis, and at an exercise price per share equal to the lesser of (i) the public offering price or closing bid price on the date of public listing or (ii) the quotient obtained by dividing \$650 million by the total number of equity interests.

On December 13, 2023, the Company and GEM entered into a binding term sheet (the "GEM Term Sheet") and, on December 14, 2023, a letter agreement (the "GEM Letter"), agreeing to terminate in its entirety the GEM Agreement by and between the Company and GEM, other than with respect to the Company's obligation (as the post-combination company in the Merger) to issue the GEM Warrant granting the right to purchase Class A Common Stock in an amount equal to 3% of the total number of equity interests outstanding as of the Closing, calculated on a fully diluted basis, at an exercise price on the terms and conditions set forth therein, in exchange for issuance of a \$2.0 million convertible debenture with a five-year maturity and 0% coupon. Due to the determination of the final terms of the planned \$2.0 million convertible debenture having not been finalized, nor the final agreement related to the convertible debenture having been executed, as of March 31, 2024, the Company recognized, concurrent with the close of the merger, a liability for the GEM commitment fee, along with a corresponding GEM commitment fee expense, in the amount of \$2.0 million.

On February 5, 2024, the Company and GEM entered into a settlement agreement (the "GEM Settlement Agreement"), pursuant to which (a) the Company and GEM agreed to (i) settle the Company's obligations under and terminate the binding term sheet entered into between Legacy Banzai and GEM, dated December 13, 2023, and (ii) terminate the share repurchase agreement, dated May 27, 2022, by and among the Company and GEM, and (b) the Company (i) agreed to pay GEM \$1.2 million in cash within three business days of the GEM Settlement Agreement and (ii) issued to GEM, on February 5, 2024, an unsecured promissory note in the amount of \$1.0 million, payable in monthly installments of \$100,000 beginning on March 1, 2024, with the final payment to be made on December 1, 2024 (the "GEM Promissory Note").

The GEM Promissory Note provides that, in the event the Company fails to make a required monthly payment when due, the Company shall issue to GEM a number of shares of Class A Common Stock equal to the monthly payment amount divided by the VWAP of the Class A Common Stock for the trading day immediately preceding the applicable payment due date. In addition, the Company agreed to register on a registration statement 2,000,000 shares of Class A Common Stock that may be issuable under the terms of the GEM Promissory Note. The GEM Promissory Note contains customary events of default. If an event of default occurs, GEM may, at its option, demand from the Company immediate payment of any outstanding balance under the GEM Promissory Note. As of the date of these unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements, we have issued an aggregate of 139,470 shares of Class A Common Stock to GEM in lieu of monthly payment obligations.

## **Off-Balance Sheet Arrangements**

Banzai had no off-balance sheet arrangements as of March 31, 2024.

## Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

This item is not applicable as we are a smaller reporting company.

#### Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

#### **Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures**

The Company conducted an evaluation (pursuant to Rule 13a-15(b) of the Exchange Act), under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the Company's disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Rule 13a-15(e)) as of March 31, 2024.

These disclosure controls and procedures are designed to ensure that information required to be disclosed in the Company's reports that are filed or submitted under the Exchange Act is recorded, processed, summarized and reported within the time periods specified in the Securities and Exchange Commission's rules and forms. The Company's disclosure controls and procedures include, without limitation, controls and procedures designed to ensure that this information is accumulated and communicated to management, including the principal executive and principal financial officers, or persons performing similar functions, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure.

Based on the evaluation of our disclosure controls and procedures, our Principal Executive Officer and Principal Financial Officer have concluded that, as a result of the continuing material weaknesses in our internal control over financial reporting noted below, our disclosure controls and procedures were not effective as of March 31, 2024.

#### Previously Identified Material Weaknesses

As of December 31, 2023, the Company concluded that it had a material weaknesses in its IT General Controls, adherence to the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations ("COSO") of the Treadway Commission in Internal Control — Integrated Framework (2013), and period end financial close and reporting process as described below.

- 1. IT General Controls We did not maintain an effective IT control environment because we did not maintain a formal cybersecurity governance program, sufficient provisioning, deprovisioning, user access reviews, and reviews of service organizations.
- 2. COSO Entity Level Controls We did not maintain effective controls over the identification and monitoring of related party relationships and transactions and have not yet implemented a formal delegation of authority process.
- 3. Period end financial close and reporting Our assessment of internal controls has identified a material weakness whereby the CFO has unrestricted administrative access to the General Ledger ("GL") system. Given the concentration of responsibility includes approval of key transactions, bank account reconciliations, and journal entries, administrative access to the GL system should be restricted to personnel outside of Accounting and Finance function.

#### Remediation of Material Weaknesses

We are committed to the remediation of the material weaknesses described above, as well as the continued improvement of our internal control over financial reporting. We are in the process of taking steps to remediate the identified material weaknesses and continue to evaluate our internal controls over financial reporting, including the following:

#### IT General Controls:

- 1. We have implemented enhanced segregation of duties and workflow approvals to prevent unauthorized changes in our systems.
- 2. We have begun utilizing the services of external consultants to review our internal controls environment and make recommendations to remediate the material weaknesses in our financial reporting.
- 3. We have begun utilizing the services of external consultants to complete a formal cybersecurity assessment and subsequently identified remediation plans to address any gaps and weaknesses.
- 4. We utilized the services of external consultants to assist in the development of an incident response plan to mitigate the IT control risk, which we expect to formalize in 2024.

# COSO Entity Level Controls:

- We utilized the services of external consultants to assist in the identification and documentation of entity level controls as of March 31, 2024.
   Additionally, in Q1 2024 we completed a formal COSO mapping document and remediation plans have been drafted where gaps were identified.
- We implemented an Audit Committee, Compensation Committee, Nominating and Governance Committee and Board of Directors immediately post-merger.

#### Period End Financial Close and Reporting:

1. We have begun utilizing the services of external consultants to assess our overall security role design and privileged user access for each of our in-scope applications, including our general ledger system. We expect to implement certain user access changes during the second quarter of 2024 and further system-wide changes thereafter.

As we continue our evaluation and improve our internal control over financial reporting, management may identify and take additional measures to address control deficiencies. We cannot assure you that we will be successful in remediating the material weaknesses in a timely manner.

#### Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

As required by Rule 13a-15(d) of the Exchange Act, our management, including our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer, conducted an evaluation of the internal control over financial reporting to determine whether any changes occurred during the quarter ended March 31, 2024, that have materially affected, or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting. Based on that evaluation, our Principal Executive Officer and our Principal Financial Officer concluded that, other than the changes described above regarding our steps to remediate our material weaknesses, there was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

#### PART II—OTHER INFORMATION

#### Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

From time to time, we may be party to litigation and subject to claims incident to the ordinary course of our business. As our growth continues, we may become party to an increasing number of litigation matters and claims. The outcome of litigation and claims cannot be predicted with certainty, and the resolution of these matters could materially affect our future results of operations, cash flows or financial position. We are not presently party to any legal proceedings that, in the opinion of management, if determined adversely to us, would individually or taken together have a material adverse effect on our business, operating results, financial condition or cash flows.

#### Item 1A. Risk Factors.

You should carefully review and consider the information regarding certain factors that could materially affect our business, financial condition or future results set forth under Part I, Item 1A, *Risk Factors*, contained in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2023. There have been no material changes from the risk factors since the filing of the 2023 Annual Report.

#### Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

#### Yorkville Promissory Notes

On February 5, 2024, and March 26, 2024, the Company issued convertible promissory notes in the principal amount of \$1.0 million and \$1.5 million, respectively, to Yorkville pursuant to the SEPA. In February and March 2024, the Company issued 2,233,735 shares of Class A common stock to Yorkville upon conversion of \$1.5 million of the Yorkville Promissory Notes. In addition, on March 18, 2024, the Company issued 710,025 shares of Class A common stock to Yorkville in satisfaction of a deferred fee payment in the amount of \$500,000. The issuance by the Company of the Yorkville Promissory Notes and the shares of Class A common stock issued to Yorkville have not been registered under the Securities Act in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

#### **GEM Promissory Note**

On February 5, 2024, the Company issued the GEM Promissory Note in the principal amount of \$1.0 million to GEM pursuant to the GEM Settlement Agreement. On March 5, 2024, the Company issued 139,470 shares of Class A common stock to GEM as repayment of \$100,000 aggregate principal amount outstanding under the GEM Promissory Note. The issuance by the Company of the GEM Promissory Note and the shares of Class A common stock issued to GEM have not been registered under the Securities Act in reliance on the exemption from registration provided by Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

#### **Roth Shares**

On February 2, 2024, the Company issued 175,000 shares of Class A common stock to Roth pursuant to the Roth Addendum as consideration for advisory services provided by Roth in connection with the Business Combination. Such shares were issued in a transaction exempt from registration in reliance on Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

## **Marketing Agreement Shares**

Effective March 20, 2024, the Company issued to a consultant (the "Marketing Consultant") 153,492 shares of its Class A common stock, which shares represented \$200,000 of compensation for the Marketing Consultant's services under a marketing services agreement. The shares were issued to the Marketing Consultant in a transaction exempt from registration in reliance on Section 4(a)(2) of the Securities Act.

## Item 3. Defaults Upon Senior Securities.

None.

# Item 4. Mine Safety Disclosures.

Not applicable.

## Item 5. Other Information.

During the three months ended March 31, 2024, no director or officer of the Company adopted or terminated a "Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement" or "non-Rule 10b5-1 trading arrangement," as these terms are defined in Item 408(a) of Regulation S-K.

# Item 6. Exhibits.

The following documents are included as exhibits to this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q:

Exhibit	
Number	<b>Description</b>
4.1	<u>Unsecured Promissory Note, dated February 5, 2024, issued by Banzai International, Inc. to GEM Global Yield LLC SCS (incorporated</u>
	by reference to Exhibit 10.4 of the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on February 8, 2024).
4.2	Promissory Note, dated as of February 5, 2024, issued by Banzai International, Inc. to YA II PN, LTD (incorporated by reference to
	Exhibit 4.11 of Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on February 5, 2024).
4.3	Promissory Note, dated as of March 26, 2024, issued by Banzai International, Inc. to YA II PN, LTD (incorporated by reference to
	Exhibit 4.10 to the Annual Report on Form 10-K filed on April 1, 2024).
10.1	Supplemental Agreement, dated February 5, 2024, by and between Banzai International, Inc. and YA II PN, LTD (incorporated by
	reference to Exhibit 10.29 of Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on February 5, 2024).
10.2	Settlement Agreement, dated February 5, 2024, by and between Banzai International, Inc., GEM Global Yield LLC SCS and GEM
	Yield Bahamas Limited (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.27 of Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1
	filed on February 5, 2024).
10.3	Addendum to Letter Agreements, dated February 5, 2024, by and between Banzai International, Inc. and Roth Capital Partners, LLC
	(incorporated by reference to Exhibit 10.30 of Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement on Form S-1 filed on February 5, 2024).
10.4#	Banzai International, Inc. 2023 Equity Incentive Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.1 to the Registration Statement on Form
	S-8 filed on March 25, 2024).
10.5#	Banzai International, Inc. 2023 Employee Stock Purchase Plan (incorporated by reference to Exhibit 99.2 to the Registration Statement
	on Form S-8 filed on March 25, 2024).
31.1*	Certification of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as
21.24	adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
31.2*	Certification of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Rules 13a-14(a) and 15d-14(a) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as
22 14	adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.1*	Certifications of Chief Executive Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
32.2*	Certifications of Chief Financial Officer pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002
101.INS ***	Inline XBRL Instance Document – the instance document does not appear in the Interactive Data File because XBRL tags are
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101.SCH ****	Inline XBRL Taxonomy Extension Schema With Embedded Linkbase Documents
104 ***	Cover Page Interactive Data File (embedded within the Inline XBRL document)
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*	Filed herewith.
#	Indicates management contract or compensatory plan or arrangement.
***	The XBRL Instance Document and Cover Page Interactive Data File do not appear in the Interactive Data File because their XBRL
	tags are embedded within the Inline XBRL document.
****	Submitted electronically herewith

# **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on May 15, 2024.

Date: May 15, 2024

Date: May 15, 2024

By: /s/ Joseph Davy

Joseph Davy
Chief Executive Officer

By: /s/ Mark Musburger

Mark Musburger

BANZAI INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Chief Financial Officer

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Joseph Davy, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 of Banzai International, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

control over financial reporting.			
Date: May 15, 2024	Ву:	/s/ Joseph Davy	
		Joseph Davy Chief Executive Officer (Principal Executive Officer)	
		(Frincipal Executive Officer)	

## CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO RULES 13a-14(a) AND 15d-14(a) UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

#### I, Mark Musburger, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended March 31, 2024 of Banzai International, Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - (a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - (b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - (c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - (d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - (a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - (b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 15, 2024	By:	/s/ Mark Musburger
		Mark Musburger
		Chief Financial Officer
		(Principal Financial Officer
		and Principal Accounting Officer)

# CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Banzai International, Inc. (the "Company") for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Joseph Davy, Chief Executive Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) (2)	The Report fully complies with the requirements of The information contained in the Report fairly pre-		rities Exchange Act of 1934; and nancial condition and results of operations of the Con	mpany.
Date: Ma	y 15, 2024	Ву:	/s/ Joseph Davy	
			Joseph Davy	
			<b>Chief Executive Officer</b>	
			(Principal Executive Officer)	

# CERTIFICATIONS PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with the Quarterly Report of Banzai International, Inc. (the "Company") for the quarter ended March 31, 2024, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on or about the date hereof (the "Report"), I, Mark Musburger, Chief Financial Officer of the Company, certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

(1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and

(2) The information contained in the Repo	ort fairly presents, in all material respects, the f	inancial condition and results of operations of the Compa	any
Date: May 15, 2024	Ву:	/s/ Mark Musburger	
		Mark Musburger	
		Chief Financial Officer	
		(Principal Financial Officer	
		and Principal Accounting Officer)	