# Company and Marketing Strategy: Partnering to Build Customer Relationships

**Chapter 2** 

## **Learning Goals**

- 1. Explain strategic planning
- 2. Describe business portfolios and growth strategies
- 3. Detail marketing's role in strategic planning
- 4. Describe elements of customerdriven marketing strategy
- 5. List the marketing management functions

## Case Study Disney —What are its challenges?

- Disney has grown via diversification.
- Originally known for films, animation, theme parks.
- Satisfying the customer is everyone's job.

#### **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Has Disney grown too large?
- 2. Will consumers accept new Disney businesses?

# What is Strategic Planning?

### **Strategic Planning Defined:**

 The process of developing and maintaining a strategic fit between the organization's goals and capabilities and its changing marketing opportunities

### **Market-Oriented Mission**

## A mission statement asks...

- What is our business?
- Who is the customer?
- What do consumers value?
- What should our business be?

## A mission statement should be:

- An "invisible hand"
- Neither too narrow nor too broad
- Fitting of market environment
- Based on distinctive competencies
- Motivating

### **The Business Portfolio**

A business portfolio is the collection of businesses and products that make up the company
Business portfolio planning involves two steps:

- 1. Analyzing the current business portfolio
- 2. Shaping the future portfolio by developing strategies

## **Analyzing the Current Business Portfolio**

#### Build

- Increase market share
- Works well for question marks

#### Hold

- Preserve market share
- Good for cash cow

#### Harvest

- Increases shortterm cash flow
- Good for weak cash cows, question marks and dogs

#### Divest

- Sell or liquidate
- Good for dogs and question marks

# Marketing's Role in Strategic Planning

- Provide a guiding philosophy
- Identify attractive opportunities
- Design effective strategies
- Build strong value chains
- Form superior value delivery networks

### **Marketing Strategy**

### Strategy

- 1. Market
  Segmentation
- 2. Target marketing
- 3. Market
  Positioning

- Customers grouped by:
  - Geographic
  - Demographic
  - Psychographic
  - Behavioral
- Market segment is a groups of consumers who respond in similar ways to marketing efforts.

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- Evaluation of each segment's attractiveness
- Selection of segments with greatest long-term profitability
- A company can choose one or several segments to target

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- The place the product occupies in the consumer's mind
- Products are positioned relative to competing products
- Marketers look for clear, distinctive and desirable place in positioning

## **Marketing Mix**

- The marketing mix includes controllable and tactical marketing tools knows as the 4P's
- The 4P's include
  - Product
  - Place
  - Promotion
  - Price

- Analysis
- Planning
- Implementation
- Control

- Finding opportunities
- Avoiding threats
- Understanding strengths
- Analyzing weaknesses

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- Marketing plans include:
  - Executive summary
  - Analysis of current situation
  - Objectives
  - Targets and positioning
  - Marketing mix
  - Budget
  - Controls

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- Plans are turned into action with day-to-day activities
- Good implementation is a challenge

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- Evaluation of the results of marketing strategies
- Checks for differences between goals and performance

## **Measuring Effectiveness**

## Return on marketing (marketing ROI)

 The net return from a marketing investment divided by the costs of the investments