

ACCOUNTING PROFESSIONAL & ETHICAL STANDARDS BOARD LIMITED

**MINUTES OF THE 7th MEETING OF
APES 230 FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES TASKFORCE**

21 April 2010 from 10:00 – 11:15am

Teleconference

1. Present and Apologies

Present:

Mr Channa Wijesinghe (Chairperson), Mr Reece Agland, Mr Hugh Elvy, Mr Robert M.C. Brown, Ms Suzanne Haddan, and Ms Keddie Waller

In Attendance:

Mr Erik Hopp

Apologies:

Mr Michael Davison, Mr Harry Moyle, and Ms Kate Spargo

2. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the 6th Financial Advisory Services Taskforce meeting held on 10 March 2010 were accepted without amendment.

3. Update from Board Meeting and discussion on draft Exposure Draft APES 230 *Financial Advisory Services*

Mr Channa Wijesinghe provided the taskforce with an update on the outcomes from the APES Board Meeting held on 23 March 2010. Subsequent to the Board meeting technical staff presented a revised Exposure Draft APES 230 *Financial Advisory Services* for discussion.

Taskforce members:

- noted that the scope and application section was based on the existing APES drafting conventions;
- agreed that paragraph 6.2 should be removed;
- agreed that section 7 which addresses the fiduciary relationship with the client should be elevated to appear earlier in APES 230 ED;
- agreed that subparagraph 7.4(d) should be removed;
- noted that further consideration would need to be given to how application of APES 310 *Dealing with Client Monies* by Members in Business given that APES 310 is only applicable to Members in Public Practice (refer paragraph 8.2);

- agreed that paragraphs 11.6 and 11.7 which addresses the receipt of professional fees were unnecessary and should be removed;
- agreed that paragraph 12.1 should be reworded to say that a Member shall not accept alternative remuneration benefits, including soft dollar benefits and that paragraphs 12.2 and 12.3 should be removed;
- noted that technical staff should give consideration to carrying forward APS 12 disclosure requirements where relevant – for example, the notification requirements in paragraphs 22.1 and 22.2 of APS 12; and
- raised numerous other minor editorial matters for technical staff to address.

Taskforce Members were informed that technical staff will finalise mapping tables comparing the draft APES 230 with APS 12, NZ FAES and the FPA Code shortly and circulate it to the taskforce.

4. Way forward

APESB technical staff to prepare a revised Exposure Draft APES 230 *Financial Advisory Services* based on the taskforce discussions and thereafter circulate it to the taskforce for further comments. The revised Exposure Draft will be presented to the May 2010 APES Board meeting.

5. Close of meeting

The next meeting of the taskforce will be at a future date to be determined.