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MINUTES OF THE PROJECT GROUP MEETING OF THE ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD ON ED 205 PROPOSED STANDARD OF GRAP ON SOCIAL BENEFITS HELD ON 11 JUNE 2024

Present:

M Makgamatho	Unemployment Insurance Fund
Z Masilela	National Home Builders Registration Council
S Manana-Mthembu	Unemployment Insurance Fund
F Mudau	National Student Financial Aid Scheme
R Ramushu	Limpopo Provincial Treasury
M Sathekge	Compensation Fund

Secretariat:

A Botha	Standard setter
N Imam-Shah	Standard setter
S Nondlazi	Standard setter
E van der Westhuizen	Head of Technical

Board Members: Mr A van der Burgh (Chair), Ms A Carstens, Mr A Hardien, Ms W de Jager, Mr D Dlamini, Mr S Gcwabe, Mr S Khan, Ms A Muller, Ms L Senne, Prof R Small
Chief Executive Officer: Mrs J Poggiolini

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

Members were WELCOMED to the project group meeting. Apologies were NOTED from M Dullabh, K Mosikare and J Poggiolini.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

The agenda was confirmed.

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 6 June 2023 were APPROVED.

4. TECHNICAL MATTERS

Response to ED 205 *Proposed Standard of GRAP on Social Benefits*

4.1 The Secretariat TABLED the following documents at the meeting:

- Memorandum from the Secretariat.
- Summaries of verbal and written comment received on ED 205 (for information purposes).
- ED 205 *Proposed Standard of GRAP on Social Benefits* (for information purposes).

Background and objective of the discussion

4.2 The Secretariat NOTED the objective of the discussion was for the project group to consider proposed amendments to the definition of *social risks*, for recommendation to the Technical Committee. The amendments respond to the key issues raised by respondents to ED 205.

Social risks

4.3 The Secretariat EXPLAINED the key issues raised and the proposed amendment to the definition of social risks.

4.4 A member ASKED what the interaction of the requirements in the Standard will be with existing legislation, such as the Compensation for Occupational Injuries and Diseases Act (COIDA Act). The Secretariat NOTED that the Standard will prescribe the accounting requirements for a benefit while legislation prescribes the benefit's rules. An entity would apply the Standard with reference to the benefit's rules. The Standard includes guidance on applying substance over form for accounting purposes.

4.5 A member ASKED for clarity on the reasons for the recognition requirements of social assistance benefits. The Secretariat NOTED that the Board's reasons are explained in the basis for conclusions. A full review of comment received and proposed responses thereto will be undertaken at a future date.

4.6 Members NOTED that they are not familiar enough with ED 205 and the proposals to make recommendations to the Technical Committee.

4.7 It was AGREED that the meeting will be rescheduled.

Secretariat

5. GENERAL

There were no further matters for discussion raised.

6. CLOSING REMARKS

Stakeholders were THANKED for their time to prepare for the meeting, and their participation and input during the meeting.

Prepared by: E van der Westhuizen 11 June 2024