

## EXTRACT FROM MINUTES: AASB 12-13 MAY 2004 MEETING

### GAAP/GFS CONVERGENCE

Agenda item 12

The Board had before it:

- (a) a memorandum from Robert Keys and Bob Orford dated 5 May 2004 (Agenda paper 12.1);
- (b) Issues paper: Merits of alternative approaches to GGS reporting (Agenda paper 12.2); and
- (c) Collation and analysis of submissions on relevant questions in Consultative Papers 1 and 2 (Agenda paper 12.3).

The Board discussed progress to date on the GAAP/GFS Convergence Project and a strategy for progressing the Project in the future because there was insufficient time to consider issues relating to GAAP/GFS convergence issues, including two key issues:

- the status of GGS financial reporting; and
- financial performance reporting.

The Board decided that:

- (a) given the priority of its “Year 2005” Project, GAAP/GFS issues should not be included on its meeting agendas until meetings after its June 2004 meeting. The only exception to this is the allocation of one hour on the 27 May 2004 agenda (as the first agenda item after the closed session) to provide some time for the Board to attempt to resolve issues relating to the status of GGS financial reporting. To this end, the Board agreed to consider Agenda paper 12.2 “Staff paper on the relative merits of alternative approaches to facilitate GGS financial reporting through accounting standards” as the basis of its discussion. The Board noted that, depending on the outcome of its discussion at the 27 May 2004 meeting, staff would be provided with input from the Board to enable them to continue progressing the project out-of-session;
- (b) the agendas of Board meetings after the June 2004 meeting should anticipate allocation of a substantial amount of Board time to the GAAP/GFS Project and other public sector specific projects; and
- (c) its decisions and the implications of its decisions about the likely future timing of the GAAP/GFS Project should be conveyed to constituents via the *Action Alert* and in an updated website-based document “GAAP/GFS Convergence: Implementing the FRC Strategic Direction”.

Action:

Staff