

MINUTES



Financial Accounting
Standards Board

To: Board Members

From: Presentation of Comprehensive
Income: Reclassification of Items of
Other Comprehensive Income Team
(Ward x279)

Subject: Minutes of the December 07, 2011
Board Meeting **Date:** December 08, 2011

cc: **Stacey Sutay**

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Topic: Presentation of Comprehensive Income:
Reclassifications of Items of Other
Comprehensive Income

Basis for Discussion: Memo 2

Length of Discussion: 09:00 a.m. – 09:20 a.m. EDT

Attendance:

Board members present: FASB: Seidman, Buck, Linsmeier, Golden,
Schroeder, Siegel, and Smith

Board members absent: None

Staff in charge of topic: Ward

Other staff at Board table: Watanabe, and Donoghue

Outside participants: None

Type of Document and Timing Based on the Technical Plan:

The Board met to discuss feedback received from constituents on the FASB's November 2011 proposed Accounting Standards Update, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05*. The Board also met to discuss its decision to defer the effective date for amendments to the presentation of reclassifications of items out of accumulated other comprehensive income in Update 2011-05 as well as any necessary next steps.

Summary of Decisions Reached:

The Board discussed the feedback received from stakeholders on the November 2011 FASB Exposure Draft, *Comprehensive Income (Topic 220): Deferral of the Effective Date for Amendments to the Presentation of Reclassifications of Items Out of Accumulated Other Comprehensive Income in Accounting Standards Update No. 2011-05*.

The Board affirmed its decision to defer the effective date of certain aspects of Accounting Standards Update 2011-05 as proposed in the Exposure Draft, directing the staff to draft a final Accounting Standards Update for vote by written ballot. That decision defers only those changes in Update 2011-05 that related to the presentation of reclassification adjustments. The amendments in this proposed Update would supersede only those paragraphs that pertain to how and where reclassification adjustments are presented. While the Board is considering the operational concerns about the presentation requirements for classification adjustments, entities would continue to report reclassifications out of accumulated comprehensive income consistent with the presentation requirements in effect before Update 2011-05. The part of Update 2011-5 pertaining to the requirement to report comprehensive income either in a single continuous statement or in two separate but consecutive financial statements is unaffected by this action.

The Board directed the staff to expeditiously complete its analysis of alternative approaches to the presentation of reclassification adjustments from accumulated other comprehensive income for consideration at a future meeting.

The Board voted unanimously on the above decision.