Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of April 14, 1999

March 24, 1999

Education
Joseph H. Mathos, Deputy Superintendent

SUBJECT:	**EXPULSION OF STUDENT**	**GRADE:**	**09**
CASE NO:	**SM-115 (98/99)**	**DOB:**	**04/08/83**

The Superintendent of Schools has recommended that this student be expelled from the regular and adult programs of Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the maximum time permitted under law, which is the 1998/99 school year, the 1999 summer session, and the 1999/2000 school year.

The parents were duly notified of the recommendation for expulsion and were given an opportunity for a conference with staff and were advised of their right to a hearing before an impartial hearing examiner. The parents chose not to request a hearing.

The basis for the recommendation is:

- The student's act of arson on school property.
- This act constitutes a Group VI violation of the Code of Student Conduct.

The student has been assigned to Douglas MacArthur North Opportunity School and will be provided educational services during the term of the expulsion period.

Since the student was not sixteen years old at the time of the incident, the student will remain in an opportunity school or alternative program until the term of the expulsion has expired, and will then be returned to a regular school program in Miami-Dade County Public Schools if approved by the Office of Alternative Education and Dropout Prevention.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. expel the student specified in the supplemental material SM-115 (98/99), furnished under separate cover to Board members, from the regular and adult programs of Miami-Dade County Public Schools for the maximum time permitted under law, which is the 1998/99 school year, the 1999 summer session, and the 1999/2000 school year;

2. provide educational services in the opportunity school or alternative program during the term of the expulsion; and

3. following the term of the expulsion, permit the student to be returned to a regular school program in Miami-Dade County Public Schools if approved by the Office of Alternative Education and Dropout Prevention.

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