

March 9, 2000

Dr. Marta Pérez, Member

**SUBJECT: REQUEST TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO PERIODICALLY REVIEW AND REVISE SCHOOL BOARD RULE 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, CHARTER SCHOOLS, TO INCORPORATE AMENDMENTS REFLECTING THE LEGISLATION AS WELL AS PROCEDURES AND/OR MECHANISMS THAT STRENGTHEN CHARTER SCHOOL ACCOUNTABILITY**

Florida Charter School Legislation became effective in July 1996 and subsequently, The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approved School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools, on July 24, 1996. The first Florida Charter School commenced operation within Miami-Dade County Public Schools in the 1996-1997 school year. Since its enactment, the Charter School Legislation has been amended several times for the purposes of clarifying the intent of the law; modifying Charter School application, implementation, and operational procedures; and improving Charter School accountability.

As it is in the District's best interest to develop, revise, and implement policy consistent with Florida law, it is crucial that local School Board Rules be periodically updated for compliance with legislative changes. Additionally, as the District identifies local areas of concerns or needs relative to the implementation of Charter Schools, it is equally crucial that local policy be updated to address these needs. Inasmuch as both the Florida Charter School Legislation has been amended and the District has identified issues relative to the implementation of Charter Schools, this is a request to establish procedures to periodically review and revise School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools, to incorporate substantive amendments reflecting legislation as well as procedures and/or mechanisms that strengthen charter school accountability.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY**

**DR. MARTA PEREZ:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to establish procedures to periodically review and revise School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools, to incorporate substantive amendments reflecting legislation as well as procedures and/or mechanisms that strengthen charter school accountability.

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**REPLACEMENT**

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