

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of June 21, 2000

June 20, 2000

Office of School Board Attorney
Johnny Brown, Board Attorney

SUBJECT: PROPOSED CONTRACTS FOR ASSISTANT BOARD ATTORNEYS

The contracts for the current in-house Assistant Board Attorneys expire June 30, 2000. The Board Attorney recommends that the in-house assistant attorneys be awarded new contracts with appropriate salary adjustments.

The Board Attorney is requesting that the Board place \$64,972 into the direct salary account of the School Board Attorney's Office and authorize the Board Attorney to negotiate appropriate contracts for the in-house assistant attorneys.

Additionally, the scope and responsibility of Patricia Bass, Senior Assistant School Board Attorney, has increased significantly due to increased litigation and workload in the School Board Attorney's Office. Therefore, I am recommending that the School Board establish and classify a position of Deputy School Board Attorney and appoint Ms. Bass to that position.

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

1. Establish and classify the position of Deputy School Board Attorney;
2. Authorize contracts with Patricia Bass, as Deputy School Board Attorney; Madelyn Schere, Luis Garcia and Twila Payne, as Senior Assistant School Board Attorneys; Ana Segura and Timothy Pease, as Assistant School Board Attorneys, for the 2000-2001 fiscal year;
3. Authorize the School Board Attorney to negotiate the contracts of the in-house Assistant Board Attorneys within the additional \$64,972; and
4. Direct the Superintendent to include the amount of \$64,972, plus the existing salary amounts for the six current in-house Assistant Board Attorneys in the tentative budget to be submitted in July, 2000.

**REPLACEMENT
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