

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of October 11, 2000

October 10, 2000

Roger C. Cuevas, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: RECOMMENDATION FROM THE TASK FORCE ON ETHICS, THAT
THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL BOARD ESTABLISH A
BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON ETHICS**

At the Board meeting of May 17, 2000, the School Board established a task force to analyze and study the feasibility of establishing a Blue Ribbon Committee on Ethics for The Miami-Dade County Public School Board and report its recommendation to the Board at the October 11, 2000, meeting. The task force was composed of appointees from the School Board members, appointee from the Superintendent of Schools, representatives from the PTA/PTSA, bargaining units, the chair of The Miami-Dade County Public Schools Audit Committee, the School Board Attorney, The Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce and a student.

The Task Force recommendation is for the establishment of an Ethics Commission as follows:

The Ethics Commission will be an independent, adequately funded, public accessible, body that would hear and investigate complaints, review policies and practices of] **REVISE**
Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and oversee the training of ethics education for staff and students. Furthermore, the Ethics Commission would provide advisory opinions to the Board, the public and referral agencies with a commitment of confidentiality to the complainant as legally possible.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida receive the recommendation of the Task Force on Ethics

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