

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of May 16, 2001

May 4, 2001

Personnel Management and Services
Nelson E. Diaz, Deputy Superintendent

**SUBJECT: SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE
KAREN Y. GOODEN - TEACHER
PINE VILLA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

On May 4, 2001, the Superintendent of Schools sent the following letter to Ms. Karen Y. Gooden:

I am exercising my responsibility as Superintendent of Schools and recommending to The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, at its scheduled meeting of May 16, 2001, that the School Board suspend you, for 30 workdays, effective at the close of the workday, May 4, 2001 through June 15, 2001, for misconduct in office, conviction of a crime involving moral turpitude, upon such conviction, and violation of School Board Rule 6Gx13-4A-1.21, Responsibilities and Duties, and State Board of Education Rules 6B-1.001(3), The Code of Ethics of the Education Profession in Florida, and 1.006(5)(a) and (h), The Principles of Professional Conduct for the Education Profession in Florida, Florida Administrative Code. This action is taken in accordance with Sections 230.03(2), 230.23(5)(f), 231.36, and 447.209, Florida Statutes.

The employee has waived, in writing, her right to contest her suspension and has agreed to serve her suspension, commencing May 4, 2001, in order to complete the suspension during this school year.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida authorize and ratify the suspension of Ms. Karen Y. Gooden, Teacher at Pine Villa Elementary, for 30 workdays, said suspension to be served from May 4, 2001 through June 15, 2001.

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