

Financial Affairs
Richard H. Hinds, Chief Financial Officer

**SUBJECT: UNDERWRITERS, CERTIFICATES OF PARTICIPATION (COP's),
SERIES 2001C**

At its meeting on July 11, 2001 the School Board approved the Request for Proposal for Underwriters, Certificates of Participation, Series 2001C. The Selection Committee approved by the School Board met on August 15, 2001 and made the recommendations listed in this item to the Superintendent regarding the composition of the underwriting group.

A total of fifteen firms responded requesting to be considered for underwriting the Certificates. The Selection Committee recommends that ten of these firms participate in the underwriting of the Certificates of Participation, Series 2001C, as listed below. The W/MBE status of the firms, if any, is listed next to each firm's name.

The Selection Committee recommended the following underwriting team:

Book Running Senior Manager	Ramirez & Co., Inc.	Hispanic owned
Co-Senior Managers	UBS/PaineWebber Loop Capital Markets, LLC A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.	African American owned
Co-Managers	Bear Stearns M.R. Beal & Company Raymond James & Associates, Inc. William R. Hough & Co. Siebert Brandford Shank & Co., L.L.C. Salomon Smith Barney	African American owned Women/African American owned

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida appoint the firms listed above to serve as the underwriting group for the Certificates of Participation, Series 2001C.

REPLACEMENT

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