

Office of Superintendent of Schools
Board Meeting of December 12, 2001

November 28, 2001

Office of School Board Attorney
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**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
A. OLIVEROS TRANSPORTATION, INC. and LIBIA TAPIERO v. THE
SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA - DOAH CASE
NO. 01-2443**

Effective April 9, 2001, School Operations disqualified A. Oliveros Transportation Inc., a private school bus company, from transporting students on Bus Route # 7602, under Bid No. 053-ZZ07, for a period of fourteen months. Also, effective April 9, 2001, School Operations removed Libia Tapiero from the list of certified private school bus drivers for a period of twelve months. On May 25, 2001, A. Oliveros Transportation Inc. and Libia Tapiero filed a petition for an administrative hearing to contest the School Board's decisions.

The parties have now reached a settlement pending Board approval. Upon consultation with School Operations, this office recommends that the settlement agreement, forwarded under separate cover, be accepted in its entirety, the terms of which include the following:

- 1) A. Oliveros Transportation Inc. will be reinstated to Bus Route # 7602 under Bid No. 053-ZZ07 effective December 13, 2001; and
- 2) Libia Tapiero will be reinstated on the list of certified private school bus drivers effective December 13, 2001, for The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, accept and approve the Settlement Agreement between A. Oliveros Transportation Inc., Libia Tapiero and The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, DOAH Case No. 01-2443.

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