

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of March 13, 2002

March 12, 2002

Office of School Board Attorney  
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**SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION  
THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA v.  
ERIC J. GASTELBONDO - DOAH CASE NO. 01-4446**

At its regularly scheduled meeting of October 24, 2001, the School Board took action to suspend and initiate dismissal proceedings against custodian Eric J. Gastelbondo, for just cause related to excessive absenteeism. The employee requested a hearing on his dismissal which was scheduled for March 11, 2002. Prior to said hearing, on March 11, 2002, the employee tendered his resignation.

It is recommended that the resignation be accepted as achieving the objective sought by the School Board in this case. Acceptance of the resignation, forwarded under separate cover, will obviate the requirement for further legal action by the School Board.

There is good cause to vary from the agenda because the employee can withdraw his resignation at any time prior to Board acceptance. This item does not appear in the published agenda.

**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida accept the resignation of Eric J. Gastelbondo, custodian at Hammocks Middle School, effective as of the close of the workday on March 13, 2002.

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