

Education
Mercedes Toural, Associate Superintendent

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION FOR THE SUPERINTENDENT TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN FOUNDATION (TSIC) TO PROVIDE DESIGNATED SERVICES FOR THE TAKE STOCK IN CHILDREN PARTNERSHIP; AND TO ACCEPT FUNDS IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$41,000 FROM THE FOUNDATION TO PROVIDE STUDENT ADVOCACY FOR TSIC SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS EFFECTIVE FROM AUGUST 24, 2002 TO AUGUST 31, 2003

COMMITTEE: ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS

Authorization is sought to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Take Stock in Children (TSIC) Foundation to accept funds in the amount of \$41,000. The monies will provide one Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) student advocate to provide support services to the students who are potential TSIC scholarship recipients. The services include monitoring academic progress, providing case management for students requiring intervention, and conducting skill building activities for students which enhance their abilities to succeed.

The funds in the amount of \$41,000 will cover the base salary of the student's advocate. M-DCPS will provide fringe and health benefits in the amount of \$10,546. The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2002-2003 Tentative Adopted Budget under Fund 0100, Function 6120, Program 9298, Object 5210, Location 9721.

RECOMMENDED: That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, authorize the Superintendent to:

1. enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Take Stock in Children Foundation to provide designated services for the Take Stock in Children Partnership Program effective from August 24, 2002 to August 31, 2003;
2. accept funds in the total amount of \$41,000; and
3. allocate one student advocate position for the purpose of providing support services to students in the program.

The appropriation for this item will be included in the 2002-2003 Tentative Adopted Budget.