Office of School Board Members Board Meeting of November 19, 2003

Ms. Betsy H. Kaplan, Member

SUBJECT:

PROPOSED 2004 NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION RESOLUTIONS AND AMENDMENTS TO THE NSBA BELIEFS & POLICIES AND CONSTITUTION & BYLAWS

The National School Boards Association (NSBA) has requested that its member school boards review the current NSBA Resolutions, Beliefs & Policies, and Constitution & Bylaws and submit no later than November 20, 2003 any proposed amendments to be considered by the 2004 Delegate Assembly.

This is an opportunity for school districts nationwide to help formulate the NSBA's priorities on key national and federal issues. The NSBA is a formidable lobbying force in Washington D.C. and their efforts are driven by their adopted Resolutions, Beliefs & Policies, as well as the association's Constitution & Bylaws. Therefore, in order to ensure that Miami-Dade County Public Schools is taking full advantage of the NSBA's considerable power, the Superintendent should review the current NSBA Resolutions, Beliefs & Policies and Constitution & Bylaws to ensure they are fully in line with this Board's adopted federal legislative program. Further, if any amendments should be recommended to the NSBA which would clearly support our federal priorities, they should be submitted on the Board's behalf by the November 20, 2003 deadline and a report provided back to the Board as to the action taken.

ACTION PROPOSED BY MS. BETSY H. KAPLAN

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, direct the Superintendent to review NSBA's policies and priorities and submit recommendations to amend NSBA's Beliefs & Policies and Constitution & Bylaws in support of the Board's federal legislative priorities by November 20, 2003 and report back to the Board by its January meeting.

REPLACEMENT

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