

Office of Superintendent of Schools  
Board Meeting of April 14, 2004

March 26, 2004

Mercedes Toural, Chief Education Officer  
and Deputy Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:           RECEIVE THE *RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT* OF THE CLASS  
SIZE REDUCTION IMPLEMENTATION TASK FORCE**

**COMMITTEE:       EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS**

At the School Board meeting of August 20, 2003, the Board unanimously adopted item D-5, sponsored by Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, School Board Member, directing the administration to establish an ad hoc Class Size Reduction Implementation Task Force (task force) to examine how the class size reduction tool kit adopted by the 2003 legislature could be implemented. The task force included representation from the Parent Teacher Student Association; the United Teachers of Dade, the League of Cities, the Builders Association of South Florida, Miami-Dade County Government, the charter school community, the Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, the School Board, the Attendance Boundary Committee, The Bi-Racial/Tri-Ethnic Committee, and members of district staff.

Chaired by Dr. Marcos Moran, principal, Barbara Goleman Senior High School and assisted by Mr. Agustin J. Barrera, vice chair, the task force reviewed many issues related to class size reduction and has formulated observations regarding existing district policy and implementation recommendations. The work product of this group is a consensus document representing many hours of meetings, research and preparation by the dedicated members of this task force.

Miami-Dade County Public Schools is grateful for the services and the expertise of these volunteers and district staff.

Copies of the *Recommendations Report* will be transmitted to the School Board Members under separate cover and are available for inspection by the public in the Office of Board Recording Secretary, Room 924, and in the Citizen Information Center, Room 158, 1450 NE Second Avenue, Miami, Florida 33132.

**RECOMMENDED:**   That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, receive the *Recommendations Report* of the Ad Hoc Class Size Reduction Implementation Task Force.

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