

Rudolph F. Crew, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT:       REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE CHARTER SCHOOL APPLICATION FOR MOSAIC BILINGUAL ACADEMY, INC., ON BEHALF OF MOSAIC BILINGUAL ACADEMY AND AUTHORIZATION TO NEGOTIATE A CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT FOR A TERM OF FIVE YEARS**

**COMMITTEE:    EDUCATION AND SCHOOL OPERATIONS**

As established in School Board Rule 6Gx13- 6A-1.47, Charter Schools (K-12), Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS) received charter school applications from individuals and/or organizations in the community.

On October 13, 2004, M-DCPS Charter School District Review Committee met to review the application for Mosaic Bilingual Academy and by a unanimous vote made a recommendation for approval of the application to the Superintendent of Schools.

The charter school proposes to serve a maximum of 365 students in grades kindergarten through five, with a maximum of 90 students in grades kindergarten through two in its first year of operation, commencing with the 2005-2006 school year, at a facility located at 15800 NW 42 Avenue, Miami, Florida 33054.

The following is the Founding Board for the charter school: Mr. Chima A. Burey, Financial Consultant; Mr. Brian E. Clarke, Educator; Dr. Gwendolyn Howard-Robinson, Educator; Mr. Milton Vickers, Developer; Mr. William Johnson, Management Consultant; and Dr. Melina E. Castillo, Educational Administrator.

Copies of the application 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.

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**RECOMMENDED:** That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida:

1. approve the application for Mosaic Bilingual Academy, Inc., on behalf of Mosaic Bilingual Academy; and
2. authorize the Superintendent to negotiate a charter school contractual agreement for a term of five years, commencing with the 2005-2006 school year through the conclusion of the 2009-2010 school year, which reflects the contents of the application as approved by the School Board.

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