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**SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE THIRD
 AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL
 AGREEMENT WITH SANDOR WIENER SCHOOL OF
 OPPORTUNITY, INC., ON BEHALF OF SANDOR WIENER
 SCHOOL OF OPPORTUNITY**

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Section 1002.33(7), Florida Statutes, Charter Schools, states that a charter school contractual agreement may be modified during its initial term or any renewal term upon the recommendation of the sponsor and the approval of both parties to the agreement.

The initial charter school contractual agreement for Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on March 13, 2002, for a term of five years, commencing with the 2002-2003 school year. Subsequent amendments allowed for the addition of a second campus and increases in enrollment capacity and grade levels.

Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity is located at 20000 NW 47 Court, Opa-locka, Florida 33055. It operates a second campus at 11025 SW 84 Street, Miami, Florida 33173. The school serves approximately 42 students in Exceptional Student Education (ESE) programs in grades kindergarten through five. The school is not eligible for grading under Florida's A+ Plan for Education. The most recent financial audit revealed no audit findings. The school is managed by The Association for Retarded Citizens, South Florida, Inc.

Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity has requested a third amendment to allow the school to increase the grade levels from kindergarten through grade five to prekindergarten (ESE) through grade five, and discontinue operating the second campus located at 11025 SW 84 Street, Miami, Florida 33173, commencing in the 2005-2006 school year and throughout the term of the contract which expires on June 30, 2007, and concludes in the 2006-2007 school year.

The Charter School Contract Review Committee (CRC) met on March 29, 2005, and by a unanimous vote, made a recommendation for approval of the third amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity, Inc., on behalf of Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity.

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Copies of the amendment to the charter school contractual agreement will be transmitted to 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, grant approval of the third amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity, Inc., on behalf of Sandor Wiener School of Opportunity, to:

1. increase the grade levels from kindergarten through grade five to prekindergarten (ESE) through grade five; and
2. discontinue operating the second campus located at 11025 SW 84 Street, Miami, Florida 33173, commencing in the 2005-2006 school year and throughout the term of the contract which expires on June 30, 2007, and concludes in the 2006-2007 school year.

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