Office of Superintendent of Schools Board Meeting of May 18, 2005

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SUBJECT:

REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL OF THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT WITH ARCHIMEDEAN ACADEMY, INC., ON BEHALF OF ARCHIMEDEAN ACADEMY

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 Archimedean Academy was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on June 19, 2002, for a term of 10 years, commencing with the 2002-2003 school year. A first amendment was approved on March 17, 2004, to allow the school to relocate.

Archimedean Academy is located at 12425 SW 72 Street, Miami, Florida 33183, and serves approximately 312 students in grades kindergarten through five. In the 2003-2004 school year, the school did not receive a grade under Florida's A+ Plan for Education. The most recent financial audit revealed two audit findings. The school is managed by Academica Corporation.

Archimedean Academy has requested a second amendment to allow the school to reduce the grade levels from kindergarten through grade six to kindergarten through grade five and to enter into an articulation agreement with Archimedean Middle Conservatory, commencing in the 2005-2006 school year and throughout the term of the contract which expires on June 30, 2012, and concludes in the 2011-2012 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 second amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Archimedean Academy, Inc., on behalf of Archimedean Academy.

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 second amendment to the charter school contractual agreement with Archimedean Academy, Inc., on behalf of Archimedean Academy to:

- 1. reduce the grade levels from kindergarten through grade six to kindergarten through grade five; and
- 2. enter into an articulation agreement with Archimedean Middle Conservatory, commencing in the 2005-2006 school year and throughout the term of the contract which expires on June 30, 2012, and concludes in the 2011-2012 school year.

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