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SUBJECT: REQUEST SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL TO

APPROVAL TO RELOCATE

STUDENTS AT DOCTORS CHARTER SCHOOL OF MIAMI

SHORES

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

The initial charter school contractual agreement for Miami Shores Village Charter School Authority on behalf of Miami Shores Charter Middle/Senior High School was approved by The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, on January 14, 2004, for a term of 15 years, pursuant to Section 1002.33(7)12, commencing with the 2005-2006 school year. The contractual agreement was subsequently amended to change the name of the school to Doctors Charter School of Miami Shores, incorporate the former Miami Shores/Barry University Connected Learning Community Charter School, and convert to a charter-in-a-municipality.

Doctors Charter School of Miami Shores originally proposed to open in 2005-2006 on the grounds of Barry University, in a facility at 11301 NW Fifth Avenue, Miami Shores, Florida 33138, which is presently under construction. The charter school will serve a maximum of 375 students in grades six through ten in 2005-2006. The governing board will operate the school.

Doctors Charter School of Miami Shores anticipates that construction may not be completed in time for the opening of school. As such, it has developed a contingency plan that calls for housing the students in grades nine and ten at the Miami Shores Village Recreation Community Center Building, 9617 Park Drive, Miami Shores, Florida 33138, and the students in grades six through eight at the portable classrooms of the former campus of Miami Shores/Barry University Connected Learning Community Charter School, 11441 NW Second Avenue, Miami Shores, Florida 33168.

This item does not appear in the published agenda. There is good cause to vary from the agenda in order for the school to open in the 2005-2006 school year.

RECOMMENDED:

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, grant approval of the temporary relocation of students at Doctors Charter School of Miami Shores, in the event the permanent facility is not ready for occupancy in time for the 2005-2006 opening of schools.

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